

Pietas Londinensis:
Or, The Present
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LONDON;

CONTAINING
An Account of all the *Churches*, and
Chapels of Ease, in and about the
Cities of *London* and *Westminster*; of
the set Times of their publick *Prayers*,
Sacraments, and *Sermons*, both ordinary
and extraordinary: With the Names
of the present *Dignitaries*, *Ministers*,
and *Lecturers*, thereunto belonging.

Together with Historical Observations of
their *Foundation*, *Scituation*, ancient and pre-
sent *Structure*, *Dedication*, and several other
Things worthy of Remark.

To which is added, A POSTSCRIPT, recom-
mending the Duty of publick Prayer.

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Lord Bishop of LONDON.

My Lord,

THE following Account of the
good Order and Decency of
Church-Worship, in this our famous
Metropolis, which was put into Your
Hands, as by Legacy from Your
Right Reverend and Pious Predecessor,
doth most justly submit it self to
Your *Lordship's* good Opinion, and
beg Your *Patronage*, as of the im-
mediate *Diocesan* over the greatest Part
of the *Churches* herein mentioned.

The Dedication.

The great *Services* You have done
Her *Majesty*, and Your *Country*, by
the happy *Conclusion* of a welcome
Peace, after the vast *Expences* of
Blood and *Money* seem'd insufficient
to procure it, have render'd Your
Lordship the Darling of all Well-
wishers to *PEACE*, and especially of
Your *Clergy* of *London*; amongst
which *venerable Body*, tho' I am the
meanest and most unworthy, yet I
esteem it a peculiar *Honour* to have
been admitted into the *Ministerial*
Function, under Your *Lordship's* au-
spicious *Recommendation*.

That God may continue You long
a *Nursing Father* to His Church, and
bless You with all *Tranquillity* of
Life, is the hearty Prayer of,

My Lord,

Your *Lordship's*

Most Dutiful Servant,

James Paterson.

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INTRODUCTION.

Considering how much it may tend to the Glory of God, and the Comfort and Satisfaction of all well-dispos'd Christians, to see the Church prosper in spite of its Enemies; I have endeavour'd to give an Impartial Account of the good Order, Manner of Divine Service, and Success of the Churches within and about London; especially at present, and since the late devouring Fire, which turned many of them into Ashes, and the most Part of the City to which they belonged. And to encourage to the more punctual and due Observation of that good and settled Order, I have annexed a short Perswasive thereto.

In that unparallel'd and most dreadful Conflagration on September 2, A. D. 1666; out of 97 Parish-Churches then within the Walls of this City, 87 (besides the great Cathedral of St. Paul, and 6 Consecrated Chapels) were burnt down, or much demolished; some whereof suffer

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to this Day. Yet by the Blessing of God, to the Confusion of Roman Cruelty, and Grandeur of this Nation, that vast Loss was effectually repaired in a far shorter Time than could reasonably be expected, by Rebuilding 52 of them in a more splendid and magnificent Condition, than they had formerly been in, and annexing 35 to those, which remain yet unbuilt, and are only set apart for Burial-Places, or other Uses: And further, that mournful Day was by Act of Parliament render'd Memorable to all Posterity by solemn Fasting and Humiliation.

And thus, this Royal City has risen, like the Phoenix out of its own Ashes, and so mightily increases, (and long may it flourish and be enlarged) that now there are 64 stately Parish-Churches, and one Cathedral, beside the 35 Parishes of the demolished Churches, and divers Chapels, within its Walls; in the Suburbs 16; in Westminster 7; besides the Abby; in the out-Parishes of Middlesex and Surry 15; and in my whole Compass, I have given an Historico-Theological Account of 201 Places, which have been set apart for the Service of God, whereof there are 63 Chapels, but 35 of them are not. But as if all these had been too few, the last Session of Parliament, out of their godly Respect to Religion, thought it necessary to order fifty New Churches to be erected about it, which

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is twice as many as are in any City of Europe, and is not parallel'd in any City of the World beside it self, yea, little inferior to a whole Kingdom.

I have given a short Description of them in General, as they lie in Alphabetical Order, so far as is possible to be found, or needful to be known; for which I have consulted the best Authors on that Subject, neither can Things of that Nature be otherwise known at such a Distance of Time. And if the curious Antiquarian Mr. Stow had not obliged the World with such Observations, many of them had lain in perpetual Darkness. And moreover, to inform the truly Devout and Religious, who had rather frequent the House of God, than loyter in the Tents of Wickedness, I have particularly set down the special Times or Seasons of Prayers, Sacraments, and Sermons, with an Account of the Donors, Occasions, and present Preachers thereof; which may stand for a common Rule, to incite, direct, and prepare them to Attendance upon these Parts of Divine Worship.

Herein may be seen the good Order and Conformity of our Church to the right Primitive Constitution; and one may have a Glance of its Victory over both Roman Cruelty, and particular Innovations; for many of them were profanely converted into Stables, Barracks, &c. in the Time of
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the Civil War ; and others, some few Years ago, have been Meeting-Houses ; but most Part of them were laid in ruinous Heaps by the former, though now they be stately Temples.

We are informed, that in the Time of the Old Britains, and early Ages of Christianity, London was made an Archbishop's See, when Lucius, the first Christian King in the World, about the Beginning of the second Century, sent to Rome to borrow some of their Divines, to whom Eleutherius the twelfth Bishop thereof sent Faganus, Damianus, and some others ; which Constitution lasted the Time of 4 Archbishops, viz. Thean, Elvanus, and the two above-named. But at the coming in of the Heathen-Saxons, who subdu'd the Old Britains, and the prevailing of Heathenism again, this Archbishoprick was wholly extinct.

But afterwards when Austin, Monk of the Order of St. Benedict, came from Rome with Mellitus the Abbot, and 40 more Clergymen, by the Orders and Direction of Pope Gregory the Great, about the Year 596, the Archiepiscopal See was erected at, or translated to, Canterbury by him (contrary to the express Orders of the said Pope) because it was the Metropolis of the Kingdom of Kent, and Ethelbert the King, with all that belong'd to him, imbraced his Doctrine. And then London was transformed

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into a Bishoprick; whereof Mellitus was ordain'd the first Bishop, A. D. 604; and ever since it has continued so for 1100 Years, and has been govern'd by the uninterrupted Succession of 87 Bishops. But considering this Great Metropolis, and Imperial City, the vast Charge and Care of inspecting the large Dominions and Acquisitions of America, Her Majesty's Royal Navy, and other Additions of Pastoral Care, it might require to be the Seat of Archiepiscopal Dignity now, as well as of old; however, the Bishop thereof has still the Precedency and first Place of all the Bishops of England, and comes nearest to the Archbishop himself, as being Dean of that Province.

To prevent further Labor and Repetitions in this Work, let it be taken for granted, that in all Parish-Churches especially, and Chapels, within my Compass, Morning Prayers and Sermon begin every Sunday at ten, and between 2 and 3 in the Afternoon; and that the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administred on the first Sunday of every Month thro' the Year, and on the three great Festivals of Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday, which Times are not taken notice of in the following Accounts, but only those which differ from this Common Rule.

And moreover, on all Sacrament Days, the Morning Service begins commonly a quarter

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ter of an Hour sooner, and in the Evening as much later than the usual Time.

Likewise, altho' several Charity Sermons be preached in most of these Parish Churches, yet because they are frequently upon Sundays at the usual Hours of Divine Service, in the Morning or Evening, and sometimes in both, or altogether uncertain; being at the Appointment of their Governours or Trustees, and because a full Account of them may be seen Number 5 of the Present State of Charity Schools in and about London and Westminster, by George Lord Willoughby de Brook, for the Year 1712; I have therefore willingly pass'd them by, except when they are otherwise settled.

Neither have I made mention of the Lent Sermons, which are annually preach'd in several Places upon Ash-Wednesday, and every Wednesday and Friday following throughout Lent; because the Appointment thereof depends wholly, both as to Place and Preachers, (which are commonly the most eminent Divines about London) upon the Pleasure of the Lord Bishop, a printed List whereof is always published in Time convenient.

I have also pass'd by the Visitation Sermons, and others on several other Occasions, because of their Uncertainty, and have inserted none, but what are fixed and certain, with the Establishment and Occasion there-

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of, which being so remarkable, and done by the best Authors, several of them are published annually.

For Brevity's sake, I have mentioned only the Rectors, or Vicars and Lecturers of every Parish-Church, and proper Ministers of every Chapel, within my Observation; who are a Set of the most Eminent Divines in Britain, and perhaps in the World beside, because I was unwilling to enlarge upon the Multitude of Curates, Assistants, Chaplains, or others of the Clergy, imploy'd in this vast City.

It's also to be observed, that in most of them there is publick Catechizing of the Parish-Children, and those of Charity, and Free Schools, on every Wednesday and Friday in Lent, after Morning Prayers; and sometimes in the Evening, according to the Canons; which, for the same Reason, I have not mentioned, unless when it's otherwise established.

And if the short Survey of a single City swell to so many Sheets, what might it arise to, if all the Donations, Legacies, and Charitable Acts of Beneficence, done by innumerable well-disposed Benefactors within and about London, and the Ecclesiastical State of all the several Churches of the whole Diocese, or of the Nation, were added thereto? But indeed (as Dr. Stillingfleet

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fleet observes) this City equals the whole Kingdom besides in these Things.

If the Monthly Mercury, the Present State of Europe, the Present State of England, the Present State of London, &c. have had good Acceptance among the Politicians; it may also be expected that the Present Ecclesiastical State of this Famous and Royal Metropolis, may be welcome to all the Inhabitants and true Sons of the Church therein; and the Design being Good and intirely new, it's hoped that every one will put a favourable Construction thereon.

In the last Place, I judge no Method so proper in this Undertaking as an Alphabetical Order, whereby may be easily found out to your Satisfaction, the Church or Chapel desir'd; and also the Time, and Kinds of Service or Divine Worship, or any other Circumstances required. And it's so order'd, that there is scarcely an Hour of the Day, but a Devout Person may have the Opportunity of serving God in Publick, after the Manner of the Primitive Church; and it's heartily wish'd, that we had as much of the Fervor of their Spirits, as we have Opportunities of Testifying it; and in many of these it's four Times a Day.

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LONDON, &c.

A Ilesbury Chapel, in St. John's Close near West Smithfield. It's so called, because it belongs now to the Right Honourable the Earl of Ailesbury; but is indeed the only Reliques of that famous and religious *Priory* of St. John of Jerusalem; from whence Jerusalem Court, and Jerusalem Tavern, do still retain the Name. It was first founded for the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, by Jordan Brisset Baron, in the Reign of King Henry I. A. D. 1100. He gave also fourteen Acres of Ground, and other Endowments thereto; and was buried with his Wife Muriel, under a fair Marble Tomb in the Chapter-House of Clerkenwell, which *Priory* he founded also about that Time. It was wasted and burnt by Wat Tyler and

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the Rebels of *Kent*, *A. D.* 1383, and burnt seven Days together : After that it was rebuilt by the Princes of that House and Order ; and suppress'd by King *Henry VIII.* in the thirty second Year of his Reign, *A. D.* 1540. Then he gave one thousand Pounds *per Annum* to Sir *William Weston*, Kt. and the last Lord Prior thereof, during his Life ; but he never received one Penny of it, being prevented by sudden Death, for Grief that his Order was dissolved, on *Ascension Day*, or the seventh Day of *May* following, and was buried there, under a stately old Marble Tomb, yet in good Order. And since the Dissolution, divers fair dwelling Houses have been erected upon it by several Gentlemen, excepting this ancient Chapel. The Order of *St. John of Jerusalem*, (called first the Order of *St. John Baptist*,) did spring out of the dissolved Order of the *Knights Templers*, and served for the same purpose, and they were at last called the *Knights of Rhodes* and *Malta*, as those Places were taken from the *Turks* in the *Holy War*, and granted to them for Safeguard to the Christian Pilgrims, and others. It's built of Brick and Boulder, and cover'd with Lead, but thro' Antiquity rent and decay'd. Within it's neat and decent. 'Twas a Presby-

Presbyterian Meeting-House a long Time, till it was somewhat wasted in March, 1710; when it was repair'd for the Use of the Inhabitants.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesday, Friday, and all Holy Days, at ten of the Clock; but none in the Evening.

Here are preached three Sermons on all Sundays, viz. at Ten, Three, and Six in the Evening, and maintain'd by the private Subscriptions and Donations of the Inhabitants within St. John's Close, and Places adjacent.

Ministers. Mr. John Blair, Minister; and Mr. Arnold Syddal, Lecturer, on Sunday Evening.

St. Alban, on the East Side of Wood-street near Cripple-gate; is a Church of great Antiquity, built about the Year 930, and was perhaps the oldest Workmanship of any about London, till it was burnt in the Year 1666; but afterwards rebuilt of solid Stone-Work, with a stately square Steeple about ninety Foot high. It is all of solid Stone, and was finish'd A. D. 1685; well beautified within with a fine Gallery, Pulpit, Altar-piece, two large brass Branches, some Monuments, and several Benefactors. This is the only Church that is dedi-

dedicated to the Memory of *St. Alban* the Prote-Martyr of *England*, a Citizen of *Verulam* in *Hertfordshire*, where he suffered under *Dioclesian's* Persecution *A. D. 303.* from whom it is called *St. Alban's*; to this Day; his Festival is celebrated annually on the seventeenth of *June*.

St. Olave, in *Silver-street*, near adjoining, being likewise burnt down in the late Fire, but not rebuilt, and only appointed for a Burial-Place to the old Parish, was by Act of Parliament annexed to this Parish: And both together consist of two hundred and sixty dwelling Houses; which make a sufficient Congregation.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesday, Friday, and all Holy Days, at Eleven of the Clock.

An Annual Sermon is preach'd here upon the first Thursday of *August*, at Twelve of the Clock, for, and before the Company of *Parish-Clerks*, whose Hall is near thereto in great *Wood-street*, which is a very ancient Company, registred in the Books of *Guild-hall*, and incorporated by King *Henry III.* in the seventeenth Year of his Reign *A. D. 1232.*

Likewise another upon the third Thursday of *August* at Twelve, for, and before

Alban before the Company of *Barbers* and *Sur-*
Citizen geons, or *Barber-Chirurgeons*, incorpora-
 here he ted by King *Edward IV*, *A. D.* 1470.

Execution Ministers. Mr. *Richard Sears*, Rector;
 called and Mr. *Bernard Mould*, Lecturer.

Festival All Saints, alias *Alhallows Barking*,
is in great *Tower-street*, near to the
teenth Tower of *London*. It is called *Barking*

near ad- for Distinction from others, because it

own in was the Gift of the *Abbess* and *Convent* of

nd only *Barking* in *Essex*. It is an ancient, spa-

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e a suf- late devouring Fire. But being sadly

defaced by the accidental firing of

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Days, at in a Ship-Candle-makers Shop near ad-

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A. D. 1649, gave an Occasion for the

new Reparation of it. And accordingly

he new brick Steeple, eighty Foot

igh, was built from the Foundation,

ew Bells founded, and the Church

aved, *A. D.* 1659. And afterwards

he whole was again repaired, new

ewed, painted, gilded, &c. in the

Year 1705. To the Rebuilding of the

steeple eighty nine several Persons

ontributed largely, to the Setting up

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before

two, and the Organ it self about eighty: Whereby it's now a most decent and large Parish Church, adorn'd with large Pillars, stately Altar-piece, and divers other Ornaments, and well enriched with many Legacies and Donations. This and seven other Parish Churches, are dedicated to the Honour of *All the Saints*; whose Anniversary Festival was first celebrated at *Rome* about the Year 608, by Pope *Boniface IV*, when *Phocas* the Emperor about the fifth Year of his Reign, gave the *Heathen Pantheon* to him, which had been a Temple of all Sorts of Gods, wherein the *Romans* had at a certain Time thirty thousand Heathen Gods, which the said Pope changed into a Christian Church, and dedicated it to the Honour of the *Virgin Mary* and all the *Holy Martyrs*, or *All Saints*, and called it *Virgo & Martyres*, or the *Rotundò de Nôtre Dame*: And their Festival falls on the first Day of *November*, which has ever since been kept Holy. But not being contented with that, they celebrated also the Festival of *All Souls* in *Purgatory* on the Day following; which is vain and superfluous, and therefore cancell'd out of our Calendar. This ancient and populous Parish contains about four hundred dwelling Houses.

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Morning Prayers are daily at Eight, maintain'd by the Parish, and Evening at Seven, which commenc'd on *March 28, 1714*, by the Interest of three hundred Pounds, left by Mr. *Fullwood Bright, Gold-Smith*, of the Parish, about three Years ago.

The Sacrament is administred every Sunday at Twelve, after Forenoon-Sermon, which is maintained by the Parish, and other Gifts.

An annual Sermon is preach'd here on *November 10*, at Ten of the Clock, and maintain'd by the Gift of Mr. *Axtel*.

Likewise four Quarterly Sermons, viz. on *Christmas Day, Lady Day, Midsummer Day*, and *Michaelmas Day*, by the Legacy of Mr. *Hugh Bullock*, who left five Pounds four Shillings per *Annum*, for ever.

And an Annual Sermon on *New Year's Day* at Ten, by the Donation of *James Hickson, Esq;* who died *June 16, 1689*, and left one twenty five Shillings to Minister and Clerk for it.

Ministers. Dr. *John Gascoth*, Rector; and Mr. *Charles Lambe*, Lecturer.

All Saints, commonly *Alhallows* in *Bread-street* near *St. Austin's*; because it's in that Street, which was called *Bread-street*, from a *Market of Bread*, which was formerly kept there, where

all the Bakers of *London* were obliged by an Act *A. D.* 1303, to sell their *Bread*. The Steeple was struck down by Lightning *September 5, A. D.* 1559, but erected again; it was repaired again *A. D.* 1625, burnt in 1666, rebuilt in very good Order of solid Stone-Work, and finish'd, *A. D.* 1684; and the Steeple which is eighty six Foot high was compleated, *A. D.* 1697; when the Church was again beautified; and is now a stately and decent Church, both without and within.

The old Parish Church of *St. John Evangelist* in *Friday-street*, near adjoining, being burnt down in 1666, was only appointed for a Burial-Place to the old Parish, which was annex'd to this by Act of Parliament, in the twenty third of King *Charles II*: but both scarcely make up one hundred Houses.

Morning Prayers are on all Wednesdays, and Fridays, in Lent only; and on all Holy Days in the Year, at Eleven: And no more.

A Weekly Lecture is preach'd here on every Thursday Evening, at Four of the Clock, from *Michaelmas* to *Lady Day*, and kept up by the Gift of *John Dunstar*, who gave twelve Pounds per *Annum* for ever, *A. D.* 1620; and some others.

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Likewise three Annual Sermons, viz. on *St. James's Day*, or *July 25*; in Commemoration of *Humphry Levins, Grocer*, 1682.

Another on *January 30*; and one on *November 5*, maintain'd by some others.

Ministers. *Dr. Thomas Bloomer*, Rector; and *Dr. Samuel Bradford*, Lecturer.

All Saints, alias **Alhallows** the Great, near *Still-yard* or *Steel-yard*, on the south Side of *Thames-street*. It was an ancient Church, burnt in the late devouring Fire, but afterwards rebuilt all of solid Stone, and finish'd *A. D.* 1683; consisting of a large square Tower eighty six Foot high, and within adorned with a beautiful Chancel and Altar-piece, with some few new Monuments, and fine Ornaments; all which were projected by the famous Architect, *Sir Christopher Wren*, and built by *Mr. William Hammond*, Mason, at the publick Charge; and is now a very decent and stately Parish Church.

Alhallows the Less, joyning close thereto, being a small Parish Church, made up of about sixty dwelling Houses, and therefore called *Ecclesia omnium Sanctorum Parva*, or the *little Church of All Saints*; and after the Fire, was annex'd to this, which is called the *Great*, and the *greater* thereby. Some call it
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also *Alhallows* on the *Cellars*, because it was built on *Vaults* or *Cellars*, and probably by Sir *John Pountney*, Lord Mayor of *London*, in the Years 1330, 1333, and 1336, in the Time of King *Edward III.* However it's only a Burial-Place for the old Parish, and surrounded with a high brick Wall for that purpose, and so remains ; and both together contain about two hundred dwelling Houses.

In this united Parish-Church, Morning Prayers are only on Wednesday, and Friday, and all Holy Days, and publick Days appointed by the Government, at Eleven of the Clock.

A Monthly Lecture is preach'd here every first Thursday, from *Michaelmas* to *Lady Day*, at Four of the Clock in the Evening, and maintain'd by a religious Society of the Parish, and others.

Likewise several Annual Sermons, as on *January 30*, *May 29*, *November 5*, *September 2*, &c. and all such publick Occasions.

Ministers. Dr. *Edward Waddington*, Rector ; Dr. *Daniel Fogg*, Lecturer.

All Saints, alias *Alhallows* in *Hony lane*, vide *St. Mary le Bow*.

All Saints, alias *Alhallows* the Less, vide *Alhallows* the Great.

All Saints, alias *Alhallows* at the upper

upper End of *Lombard-street*. It was new built in the Year, 1494, and finish'd in 1516. Repaired and beautified again, *A. D.* 1544, and 1622. And burnt down by the late Fire, but rebuilt by Act of Parliament, at the publick Charge, tho' the inner Work cost the Parishioners one thousand Pounds Sterling; and was opened in *January, A. D.* 1695. And is now a proper Parish-Church, erected by it self, the Parish being sufficient; and consists of above one hundred stately Houses, adorned with a fine Altar-piece and Pulpit, and stately Organ made by Mr. *Harris*, by the Contributions of forty two Benefactors; and was the last of these ruined Churches that was rebuilt, and therefore there are no new Monuments.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesday, Friday, and all Holy Days, at eleven of the Clock; but none in the Evening.

Here is preach'd a Monthly Lecture on every third Sunday, at five of the Clock in the Evening, from *Michaelmas* to *Lady-Day*, and kept up by a religious Society.

And an Annual Sermon on *Good Friday*, at Ten of the Clock; kept up by

by the Gift of *Mr. Pett*, an eminent Apothecary in the Parish.

Ministers. *Dr. Thomas Blomer Junior*, Rector; and *Mr. Philip Castle*, Lecturer.

All Saints, alias Allhallows on *London-Wall*, so called because it is built upon, or close to the north *Wall* of the City of *London*, near *Bethlehem-Hospital*, between *Bishops-gate* and great *Moor-gate*. This Church and a little Tower about fifty Foot high, within which are but four Bells, were built of Brick; but it's adorn'd with a fair Picture of *Queen Elizabeth*; whereupon are several agreeable Inscriptions, with some other beautiful and ancient Monuments; and escaping the Fury of the late Fire, was again repaired and beautified by the Parishioners, *A. D.* 1699. And lastly a beautiful Communion Table was erected, repaired and beautified, *A. D.* 1703; and is now a decent Parish Church, enrich'd with many large Donations, but now much decay'd in the outer Work, thro' Antiquity; it's cover'd with Tiles, and situate within a small Church-yard; and the whole Parish comprehends about three hundred dwelling Houses.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesday, Friday, and all Holy Days, at Eleven of the Clock; but no Evening Prayers.

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Ministers. Mr. *Josh. Richardson*, Rector;
Mr. *Charles Smith*, Lecturer.

All Saints, alias Alhallows Staining, on the West Side of *Mark-lane*, or *Mart-lane*, from a *Mart* or Fair which was formerly kept in that Lane, and for more Distinction from others called *Staining*, that is *Staine Church*, or *Stone Church*; being the first that was built of Stones, when others were of Timber, about or before the *Norman Conquest*, when the ancient *Saxons* were very unaccustom'd, and little acquainted with building in Stone; as *St. Mary le Bow* in *Cheap-side*, had that Name from *Bows* or *Arches* of Stone, wherewith it was first built, about the Time of *William the Conqueror*. It was not burnt in the late Fire, but a little after that it fell down, as being a very old and decay'd Building, in the Year 1669, and was very soon rebuilt and beautify'd again, in the Year 1694. and is now a beautiful Church, but very little, having no Galleries, Pillars, Organ, nor new Monuments; but some painting upon the Glass Windows, of the *Queen's Arms*, the *Grocer's Company*, and the *Lady Slany's*, which they gave in the Year 1664. The Tower is about seventy Foot high, wherein are seven small Bells; and the whole Parish comprehends but one hundred Houses,

Houses. This Church is remarkable for being the first wherein Queen *Elizabeth* return'd Thanks to God for her Delivery from Imprisonment in the *Tower*, and her Accession to the Throne. In remembrance whereof, *November 17* is celebrated here with an Annual Feast, ringing of Bells, and other Solemnities; at the Charge of an ancient Gift for that Purpose.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesday, Friday, and all Holy Days, at Eleven of the Clock.

Here are preach'd only three Annual Gift Sermons, viz. on *St. Mark's Day, May 29*, and *January 30*, in the Forenoon, at Ten of the Clock.

Ministers. Dr. *Daniel Fogg*, Rector; and Mr. *Robert Lee*, Lecturer.

St. Alphage, near to *Sion College* by *Cripple-gate*: In the Time of King *Henry VIII*, it stood upon *London-Wall*, hard by *Cripple-gate*, where was an *Hospital* of *Cripples*, who gave Name to this ancient Gate, which being surrendered to the King and demolished, and dwelling Houses built thereon; this Church was transported or erected on the other Side of the Street, near to an ancient Nunnery, whereon *Sion College* now stands, in *Cripple-gate Ward* within; and then built all of Stone as it is now, only with

with some Reparations; for it was not burnt in the late devouring Fire; and is now a very old and much decay'd Building: It was at last repaired, beautified and painted by the Parishioners, *A. D.* 1701, and stands in much need to be rebuilt or repaired again. It is adorned with a large Marble Monument of Sir *Rowland Hayward*, Lord Mayor of *London*, in the Years 1570, and 1590, who died *December 5, 1593*, with his first Wife and eight Children kneeling at his right Hand, and his second Wife and eight Children at the left; and of *Richard Leigh*, Esq; *A. D.* 1597, and *Samuel Brewer*, *A. D.* 1684. It is a very low and dark Building, the Tower is but about forty Foot high, and has five Bells. And the Parish contains one hundred and fifty two dwelling Houses.

This is the only Church of that Name about *London*, which is dedicated to the Honour of the famous *St. Alphege*, or *Elphagus*, and *Alphege*, or *Alphy*, (as he's named by sundry Authors,) the Archbishop of *Canterbury*, who was stoned to Death by the *Danes*, at *Greenwich*, about the Year 990, or as others compute it, 1011, or 1012, To make him Amends, they eterniz'd his Memory by Canonization, his Festival falls on *April 19.* annually.

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Morning Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and publick Days through the Year, at Eleven of the Clock ; but no Evening Prayers.

Lectures extraordinary are on *January 30, March 8, Good Friday*, and some other solemn Occasions. And also

An Annual Sermon *ad Clerum*, is preach'd here in Latin, by the President of *Sion College*, near adjoyning hereto, upon the third Tuesday after *Easter*, at Eleven of the Clock, which is the Day of their Election, when are Annually chosen a *President*, two *Deans*, and four *Assistants*, out of the *Rectors*, and *Vicars* of *London*, to be *Governors* of the *College* for the Year being, in their Course and Turn.

This *College* has been a religious House Time out of Memory : In ancient Times it was a *House of Nuns*, and being decayed, *William Elsing Mercer* of *London*, erected an Hospital for one hundred poor blind Men, in the Year 1320 ; and therefore it was called *Elsing Spittle*. Soon after that in the Year 1332, he founded a *Priory* for *Canons Regular* ; but being dissolved by King *Henry VIII*, *A. D.* 1530, it was granted by the King to the Lord *Thame*, from whom the Reverend Dr. *Thomas White*, Vicar of *St. Dunstan's* in the West, and Prebendary
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of *St. Paul's*, purchased it for three thousand Pounds; and about one hundred Years after the Dissolution, on the same Foundation and Ruines thereof, erected a *new College* for the *London Clergy*, and an *Hospital* for ten poor Men, and ten poor Women; every one has a commodious Dwelling and other Conveniences. This Annual Sermon was appointed, with Monthly Meetings of the Clergy of *London* in the College-Hall, under the Inspection and Influence of the Lord Bishop of *London*, as a certain University among themselves; and the College incorporated by King *Charles I.* under the Name of the *President and Fellows of Sion College*; and the said College endow'd by the reverend and pious Founder, in the Year 1631.

Afterwards enlarged with a stately Library for the Clergy of *London* and others; by Mr. *John Simson*, Rector of *St. Olave* in *Hart-street*, near *Crutcheffriars*, at the Charge of two thousand Pounds. And being brought to great Perfection, it was burnt and exceedingly damnified by the late Fire in 1666, but is now very magnificently erected and repaired; and the great Loss of the Library made up by the Gifts of divers good and useful Volumes of Divinity, History,

History, and other Sciences, now amounting to about ten thousand, from many honourable and pious Persons, as his Majesty King *Charles II*, who gave the Jesuits Books, which were seiz'd in 1679. The Earl of *Barkley*, Mr. *Wyn*, Mr. *Calfe*, Mr. *Waple*, and others of the Clergy of *London*: Beside other Well-wishers to *Sion*, who frequently pay the Tythes of their own Works thereto. So much briefly for *Sion College*.

Ministers. Mr. *Samuel Brooks*, Rector; and Mr. *William Reading*, Librarian, Lecturer.

St. Andrew, at the End of *Shoe-lane*, and on the south Side of *Holbourn-hill*; and therefore commonly called *St. Andrews Holbourn*, and anciently *Old-bourn*, i. e. *Old-brook*, which runs yet from *Holbourn-bars* into *Fleet-ditch* at *Holbourn-bridge*. It is an ancient, spacious, and beautiful Parish-Church, about one hundred and five Foot long, and sixty three in breadth, and yet too little for a large and populous Congregation, consisting of about three thousand six hundred and twenty dwelling Houses; rebuilt all of Stone, covered with Lead, and finished at the Charge of the Parishioners, *A. D.* 1687. And afterwards beautified with a stately square Tower new erected, and finished *A. D.* 1704, about

about one hundred and ten Foot high, wherein are six Bells: Adorned with several ancient and new stately Monuments, a fine Altar-piece, and Font, a very fine Organ made by Mr. *Harris*; enriched with divers large Donations from some Persons of good Note, and situate in the Middle of a large and pleasant Church-yard; which being an Hill, it has a considerable Prospect.

This is the first in order of these three, (tho' out of the City) which are dedicated to the Memory of the Holy Apostle St. *Andrew*, on whose Festival an Annual Sermon is preach'd here.

Morning Prayers are here every Day at Six of the Clock in the Summer-time, and Seven in the Winter, and again at Eleven: And Evening Prayers at Three, constantly.

The Holy Sacrament is administred every Sunday in the Year, and several solemn Occasions, after Forenoon Sermon, but on *Easter-day*, only at Seven and Twelve.

Here are Sermons on all publick Days appointed by the Parliament, as *January 30, March 8, September 2, November 5*, and the 30. Which is the Annual Commemoration of the Tutelar Saint, or Patron thereof, that is maintained by

by Mr. *Richard Campion*, of *Staples-Inn*, A. D. 1593, he gave six Shillings and eight Pence for that End, besides five Pounds to the Poor *per Annum*, for ever. And two Donation Sermons, to be preach'd on the Subject of *Charity*, on the last Sunday in *Easter Term*, and on the last Sunday of *Michaelmas Term*, in the Forenoon, according to the Will of *Alexander Stafford*, Esq; of *Grays-Inn-lane*.

Minist. Dr. *Henry Sacheverel*, Rector; and Mr. *John Broughton*, Lecturer.

There are four several Chapels within the Verge of this Parish, viz *Ely-house Chapel*, that of *St. George* in *Queens-square*, *Grays-Inn*, and *Lincolns-Inn* Chapels, whereof three are private and extraparochial, and one Chapel of Ease, *vide suis locis*.

St. Andrew Hubbard, *vide St. Mary-at-hill*.

St. Andrew Undershaft, *vulgo St. Mary Acre*, on the north Side of *Leaden-hall-street*: It is called *Undershaft* from a long *May pole*, or *Shaft*, (from whence also *Shaft alley* there took the Name) which used to stand, or to be set up in the Street, before the Church-door, every *May-day*, which was higher than the Steeple, and consequently the Church was *under the Shaft*. This Custom

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 asperated upon some Grievances, did
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 was never erected, but lay for thirty
 two Years under the Shades of the
 Houses, and at last was sawed in Pieces,
 because one Mr. *Stevin* preach'd against
 it at *St. Paul's Church*, and said it was
 an *Idol*. And also *St. Mary Axe*, or
Nax, most commonly; because of the
 Sign of an *Axe* which did hang over
 against the End thereof; under this
 Appellation it's dedicated to the Honour
 of the *Virgin Mary*, as in the other to
 the *Apostle St. Andrew*, and is called
 also *Ecclesia Sancti Andreæ Apostoli supra*
Cornhill. Or rather *St. Mary* was a di-
 stinct Parish, united to this, *A. D.* 1565.
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 the other, now converted into a School-
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Williams, Sheriff of *London*, *A. D.* 1506.
 Repaired and beautified, *A. D.* 1627,
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dred Pounds: And is now a very decent, spacious, and beautiful Parish-Church; adorned with many ancient and stately Monuments, as of Mr. *Philip Malpas*, Sheriff, *A. D.* 1439, Sir *Thomas Offley*, Lord Mayor of *London*, *A. D.* 1556, and Dr. *Brook*; also a large Marble Monument of the famous Antiquarian Mr. *John Stow*, April 5. *A. D.* 1605. and many more very remarkable. The Effigies of King *Edward VI*, Queen *Elizabeth*, King *James I*, King *Charles I*, and King *Charles II*, and others, are painted at large on Glass; a Pulpit of extraordinary Workmanship; a most excellent and costly Organ, made by Mr. *Harris*; a square Steeple about ninety Foot high, with six Bells, and several other Ornaments; and the Parish comprehends about two hundred and thirty fine dwelling Houses.

Morning Prayers are every Day at Six in the Summer, and Seven in the Winter; kept up by the Gift of Sir *Thomas Rich*, who left four hundred Pounds for that End; and on all Holy Days at Eleven: And Evening Prayers at Six, except Sundays; for which Madam *Acton* gave the Annuity of two hundred Pounds for ninety nine Years.

Two Annual Sermons are preach'd here, the first on *New-year's Day*, and the

the second on the third Tuesday of *September*, upon the Fire of *London*; tho' it did not proceed to this Parish or Church, and both paid by the Gift of *Sir Thomas Rich*; and the first for instruction of Youth of this Parish; for which he left nine Pounds *per Annum* for ever.

And another on the first Monday of *August* at Eleven, for, and before the Company of Journey-men *Taylors*; and on all Holy Days, publick Days, and some others; maintain'd by the Gift of *Mr. Hugh Offley*, Sheriff of *London*, in the Year 1588, *Mrs. Margaret Moor*, and some others.

Ministers. *Dr. Robert Brabant*, Rector; and *Mr. William Stringfellow*, Lecturer.

St. Andrew Wardrobe, alias **St. Andrew** by the *Queen's Wardrobe*, being near *Wardrobe-court*, where the great *Wardrobe* of the King's of *England* was kept these many Years, 'till the late Fire, in an old House, first built by *Sir John Beauchamp*, Son to *Guy de Beauchamp*, Earl of *Warwick*; which after the Death of the Founder, in the Year 1359, was sold to King *Edward III*, and King *Richard III*, kept his Court here; and several of the Gentlemen of the *Wardrobe* dwelt in it. It's called also *St. Andrew Juxta Baynard's Castle*, because it was near that old *Castle*, which

which was built by a Gentleman called *Baynard*, who came over with *William the Conqueror*, and within *Castle Baynard Ward*; but that Family being extinct in a long Course of Time, it fell to the Crown, and King *Henry VII* repair'd it about the Year 1490. After that the Lady *Jane Grey* was proclaim'd, and Queen *Mary* was crown'd there, July 6, 1553. And at last it was destroy'd. This ancient Church was destroy'd in 1666. Rebuilt of Brick, but the Corners are of Stone; with a large square Tower, eighty six Foot high; and it's now a large and decent Parish Church, and was finish'd in the Year 1693; but there are no Monuments, Bells, nor Organ in it.

To this is annex'd the demolish'd Parish Church of *St. Anne* in *Black-fryars*, which was first erected out of the Ruines, and upon the Foundation of the old Castle of *Manfiquet*, or *Mount-fitchet*, built at first by a Gentleman of that Name, who came over into *England* with *William the Conqueror*, which was destroy'd in Process of Time; and at last *Edward Kilwarby*, Arshbishop of *Canterbury*, built up the *Black-fryars* Church, for the *Fryars-preachers*, in the fifth Year of King *Edward I.* 1276; which continued 'till 1666. and at last

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was united to *St. Andrew Wardrobe*; which together comprehend about six hundred Houses.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesday, Friday, all Holy Days, and publick Days, at Eleven of the Clock, but no Evening Prayers.

Ministers. *Mr. William Savage*, Rector; and *Mr. Joseph Dunstan*, Lecturer.

Sts. Anne and Agnes, on the north Side of *St. Anns-lane* within *Aldersgate*. It's the first of those Churches, that are dedicated to two conjunct Saints, and the first of 3 that are consecrated to the Memory of *St. Anne*, the Mother of the Blessed *Virgin Mary*; but the only Church of the Name of *St. Agnes the Virgin and Martyr*. It is called also *St. Anne* in the *Willows*, because in old Time *Willows* grew thereabout; which is more probable from this, that *Aldersgate* adjoining, seems to be called so, from some *Alder-trees* which grew near to that *old Gate*; and so that whole Plat of Ground has been formerly a little Wood, full of Shrubs or Trees of that Kind. This ancient Parish-Church was burnt down in the Year 1548, and the second Year of King *Edward VI*: but afterwards rebuilt; and beautified again, in 1624; and burnt down again in 1666, rebuilt again of Brick, with a low

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Steeple eighty Foot high, and some few Ornaments, but no Monuments, Organ, nor Bells ; but it's a decent Church within, and was finished in 1680 ; and lastly beautified in 1703 ; and so continues.

The old Parish Church of *St. John Zachary* near adjoining, in *St. Annes-lane*, being unrebuilt, and converted into a burial Place for the old Parish, was by Act of Parliament annexed to this ; and both together comprehend about one hundred and eighty five dwelling Houses, which make a sufficient Congregation for this Parish Church.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesday, Friday, all Holy Days, and publick Days, at Eleven ; in the Evening only on all Lecture-Days, as followeth.

A Sermon on every Sunday Evening, and on every Monday Evening at Five, and also a Sermon on the Three last Sundays of the Month, at Seven in the Morning, after which the Holy Sacrament is celebrated, by *Mr. John Culling*, and maintained by a Society, Subscriptions and Collections of the Parishioners.

And on all publick Fasts, Thanksgiving Days, and some Holy Days.

Ministers

Ministers. Mr. *Thomas Morer*, Rector; and Mr. *Edward Gardner*, Lecturer.

St. Anne in Black-fryars, vide St. Andrew Wardrobe.

St. Anne, on the west Side of Dean-street by Soho, in the Liberties of Westminster. It was formerly a Chapel of Ease to the Parish of St. Martin in the Fields, and therefore there are no Chapels of Ease yet in it; it was taken out of that, and made a distinct and proper Parish of it self by Act of Parliament, in the thirtieth Year of King Charles II, 1678; and this Church was built for that End, by Act of Parliament, in the first Year of King James II; and finish'd 1686, repair'd 1706, and is now a large and beautiful Parish-Church of brick Work; the first in order of those six which belong to the Liberties of Westminster; it is adorn'd with some fine new Monuments, stately Galleries, Branches, and Organ, given by King William III, and made by Mr. Harris; an Altar-piece, and other Ornaments, and situate in a pleasant Church-yard; consisting of about fifteen hundred large and stately dwelling Houses, wherein is a Multitude of considerable Inhabitants.

Here are Prayers four Times in the Day, viz. at Six in the Summer, and

Seven in the Winter, and Eleven ; and at Four and Six in the Evening thro' the Year. Prayers at Eleven and Four are read by Mr. *John Spalding*, and the rest by Mr. *Randolph Ford*.

The Sacrament is administred once every first, and third Sunday of the Month, and *Good Friday*, at Twelve ; but on *Christmas-Day*, *Easter-Day*, and *Whitsunday*, at seven and twelve a Clock.

Here is a Sermon on *Ash-Wednesday*, *Good Friday*, and most Holy Days, and all publick Days appointed by the Government, in the Forenoon. And on *St. David's Day*, or the first of *March* last at Twelve ; which was preach'd in the old *British* Language, before the Lord Bishop of *Bangor*, and a great Number of *Welsh Men* ; by Mr. *Moses Williams*, Chaplain to the Countess of *Denbigh* ; which had never been done before in *London*.

Ministers. Dr. *John Peking*, Rector ; Mr. *John Sparling*, Assistant ; and Dr. *John Marshal*, Lecturer.

St. Anthony, commonly called **St. Antholine** in *Watling-streer*. It's a very ancient Church : at first there was a Cell of *St. Anthony*, founded by King *Henry II* ; afterwards it became a Parish Church, rebuilt by Sir *Thomas Knowles*, a Grocer, and Lord Mayor, in 1399, and

and 1410, about the Beginning of King Henry IV's Reign; it was enlarged by Sir John de Wells, Lord Mayor, 1431; rebuilt again by Sir John Tate, Lord Mayor, 1513; repaired 1616, burnt 1666, and rebuilt of solid Stone, cover'd with Lead, adorn'd with a stately Spire Steeple, one hundred and fifty four Foot high, some fine Bells, a Branch, and other Ornaments, but no new Monuments, nor Organ, and thus it was finish'd, 1682; and is now a beautiful and stately Parish Church.

It is dedicated to the Memory of St. Anthony called the *Great*, the *Monk*, born in Egypt, 251: he died 356, at the Age of one Hundred and Five; tho' he was a Man of an extraordinary severe Life. He was the Author and Father of the Order of *Monks*, or *Hermits*.

St. John the Baptist, near thereto by *Dowgate*, called St. John by *Wallbrook*, being a small Parish Church, and burnt down in the late Fire, was not rebuilt, but encompassed with a brick Wall, for a burial Place to the old Parish, 1671, and that annexed by Act of Parliament; which together make up about one hundred and eighty fine dwelling Houses.

Morning Prayers are every Day at Six in the Summer, and Seven in the

Winter, because of the dayly Morning Lectures here, and on all Holy Days at Eleven ; but none in the Evening.

Here are Morning Lectures thro' the Year, on every Day of the Week, at Six in the Summer, and Seven in the Winter ; which are maintain'd by the Gifts and Legacies of about twenty four several well disposed Persons of good Note ; but too many to be rehearsed here, which amount to about six hundred Pounds in all, and sixty Pounds *per Annum* of standing Rent, for ever, and some for a limited Time, as for five hundred Years, &c. and preach'd constantly at the usual Hours after this Order, and by the following Ministers, who are allow'd twelve Pounds *per Annum*, for each, *viz.*

On Monday Morning, by Mr. *Robert Lasinby*, Rector of the Parish.

On Tuesday Morning, by Mr. *William Scott*, Lecturer of *High-gate*.

On Wednesday Morning, by Mr. *William Stewart*, Lecturer of *St. Vedast Foster-lane*.

On Thursday Morning, by Mr. *Richard Chambre*, Lecturer of *St. Botolph Aldersgate*.

On Friday Morning, by Mr. *Thomas Worlege*, Lecturer of *St. Nicolas Cole-abby*.

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On Saturday Morning, by Mr. *Thomas Shepherd*, Lecturer of *St. Edmond the King in Lombard-street*.

Ministers. Mr. *Robert Lasinby*, Rector; and Mr. *John Ramsay*, Lecturer.

St. Augustine, *vulgo St. Austine*, at the *old Change* near *St. Paul's Cathedral*, is called otherwise *Austine Fryars*, & *Ecclesia Sancti Augustini ad portam*, because it stood near the Gate of *St. Paul's Church-yard*. This ancient Church suffer'd the same Fate with many others in 1666; but was again rebuilt all of Stone, with a stately spire Steeple, about one hundred and forty four Foot high, and most beautiful Work within, finished and opened in *September 23, 1683*; but the Steeple was compleated in 1695. But again 'twas repaired, beautified, painted, and adorned with a most curious and costly Altar-piece, fine Galleries, a fine Pulpit, and other Ornaments, which now render it one of the most stately and beautiful Churches in *London*; but here is no Organ, or new Monuments. All this was finished (at the Charge of the Parish) and opened on *St. Thomas's Day, 1712*. And so it continues.

It's dedicated to the Memory of the famous *St. Augustine the Monk*, who was sent with *Miletus*, afterwards the

first Bishop of *London*, and forty more Monks from *Rome*, by *Pope Gregory the Great* (and the First of that Name, and greater than the best of all his Successors, as he was reckon'd meaner than all his Predecessors, and sixty sixth Bishop of *Rome*) about the Year 590, to convert the *Anglo-Saxons* then lying in Pagan Darkeness, therefore he is called the *English Apostle*. He became the first *Archbishop* of *Canterbury* in 601; died in 604, or 611; and was buried in the great Church there: And his Day is annually celebrated, *May 26*.

To this since the Fire of *London*, is united the old Church of *St. Faith the Virgin and Martyr*, which is under, or rather swallow'd up by the great Cathedral of *St. Paul*, and therefore called *St. Faith* under *St. Paul's*. It stood formerly at the west End of *Jesus's Chapel*, which was under *St. Paul's Choir*, and being suppress'd by King *Edward VI*, the Parishioners of *St. Faith* were removed into the said Chapel, as being a more large and convenient Place for them, in the fifth Year of King *Edward VI*, 1551. And thus it continued 'till the Cathedral was burnt, in 1666, when for certain Reasons it was not rebuilt but annexed to *St. Augustine* aforesaid, by Act of Parliament; and both together

ther comprehend about two hundred and sixty fine Dwelling-Houses.

In this united Parish-Church Morning Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and publick Solemnities, at eleven a Clock.

And two yearly Gift-Sermons for Ever; the first on the fourteenth Day of *May*, at ten, maintained by the Gift of Mr. *Hart*; the second on *August* the first or *Lammas Day*, at ten, by the Gift of Mr. *James Trussel*, which is paid by *Clothworkers Company*, his Executors.

Besides Sermons extraordinary on *January 30*, *March 8*, *September 2*, *November 5*, and some others.

Ministers. Mr. *Robert Newton*, Rector; and Mr. *Edward Oliver*, her Majesty's Sub-almoner, Lecturer.

St. Bartholomew the Great, in *Cloth-fair* and *Bartholomew-close*, between *Duck-lane*, and *Long-lane*, near *West Smithfield*, without the Walls, but within the Liberties. At first it was a *Prory*, and founded by *Rahere* Musician, or Minstrel to King *Henry I*, about the Year 1102; to fulfil some Promises or Resolutions he had made at *Rome*. He was the first *Prior* thereof himself 'till he died, and was at last buried here, under an ancient and fair Monument in the Choir, within strong Iron Rails,

with this Infcription, but no Date, *Hic Jacet Raherus primus Canonicus & primus Primarius hujus Ecclesie.* It's in very good Condition tho' it be very old, because it was repaired by *Bolton* the last *Prior*, in the Year 1410. When the *Priory* it self was new rebuilt by him, King *Henry II*, gave it the Privilege of *Bartholomew fair* for fourteen Days, which continued 'till of late Years. It was surrender'd in the thirtieth of King *Henry VIII*; the Church was pulled down to the *Choir*, the six Bells sold to *St. Sepulchers* Parish; and the King ordered what remain'd intire, to be annex'd to the old Parish-Church to enlarge it, and so it continued; and was by Act of Parliament in the last of King *Edward VI*, in 1553, established to remain a Parish-Church for ever, for the Inhabitants within the Close, and to be called for Distinction *St. Bartholomew the Great*. But Queen *Mary* changed that Constitution, and placed the *Black-fryars* therein, which was used for their conventual Church 'till the first of Queen *Elizabeth*, then they were expelled; and it restored again as before in King *Edward's* Time: And so it has continued ever since, without any remarkable Alteration. The Church and Steeple were repaired in 1696. It's an ancient

ancient and large Edifice, most of Brick, covered with Lead, adorned with divers stately ancient and some new Monuments, supported with strong Stone Pillars. The Steeple and Battlements are of Brick, about seventy Foot high, wherein are five small Bells; however it's a beautiful and spacious Parish Church; and the first and greatest of these three which are dedicated to the Apostle *St. Bartholomew*, who was flea'd alive at *Albania*, *August 24*, in 73; in Defence of that Doctrine which he preached.

Morning Prayers are every Day at eleven; and Evening Prayers at five; only in the last Week of the Month, for a Preparation to the holy Sacrament approaching.

And a Sermon extraordinary on *Good Friday*, *November 5*, and some other publick Occasions at eleven a Clock.

Ministers. *Mr. John Pountney*, Rector; but because of his Indisposition, *Mr. Charles Smith* is Curate *Pro tempore*; and *Mr. Charles Johnson*, Lecturer.

St. Bartholomew the Less, on the east Side of the Cloysters near *West-Smithfield*, belonging to *St. Bartholomew's Hospital*; and was at first the Chapel to the Infirmary of the said Hospital, which did anciently belong to the *Gray-fryars*; and

and was founded for them by the above-named *Rayhere*, or *Reior*, in 1102, who was also the first *Fryar*. It was afterwards enlarged by King *Henry IV*, confirmed in the twenty sixth of King *Edward III*; and suppressed in the Year 1539, and thirty first of King *Henry VIII*; refounded for an Hospital of sick and wounded People, or Poor by Casualty, by the said King *Henry VIII*, in 1546; who also left five hundred Marks for their Relief; and in the latter End of July, 1552, was more enlarged, repaired, and new endowed by King *Edward VI*, and the City of *London*; when it was incorporated by the King's Patent, by the Name of the Lord Mayor and Citizens of *London*, Governors of the Hospital for the Poor, called *Little St. Bartholomew near West-Smithfield*, of the Foundation of King *Henry VIII*. It was enlarged and beautified again, with the stately Figure of the Founder, King *Henry VIII*, in full, facing the Middle of *West-Smithfield*, in 1702, and large new Wards not yet finished, and is now a large and useful Hospital, wherein are cured yearly about two thousand sick and wounded People of all Sorts: There is also Physick for their Souls, in a proper Chapel on the north Side of the Church; whither they are obliged to repair

pair in Time of divine Service, if they be able, that was so appointed at the Dissolution, when this was made a proper Parish-Church.

This ancient *Fryery* continued as it had been at first settled, 'till it was suppressed in the thirty first of *Henry VIII*, when it was made a Parish-Church for the Inhabitants of that Precinct, and then given with the said Hospital to the City of *London*, by the King in 1546, which has been kept in good Order by them ever since, and was last repaired in 1703; and is now a very beautiful and stately Parish-Church, adorned with a fine new Altar-piece, and Communion Table, divers ancient Monuments, and other Ornaments.

Morning Prayers are every Day at eleven; and some extraordinary Lectures on some Holy Days, and publick Days; but no set Prayers at Night, except occasionally at Funerals, &c.

Ministers. Mr. *Philip Castle*, Vicar; and Mr. *Puller*, Lecturer.

St. Bartholomew the Little, at the upper End of *Bartholomew-lane*, near the *Royal Exchange*. It's not very ancient, and the latest of the three Churches of that Name; it was first new built by *Thomas Pyke*, Alderman, about 1438: Enlarged with a Chapel by

by *William Capel*, in 1509. It was destroyed in the late Fire, but rebuilt all of Stone, supported with large and strong Pillars, covered with Lead, and finished in 1679, by Act of Parliament, and at the publick Charge; but is not annexed to any other, because the old Parish comprehends about one hundred and thirty, of the best dwelling Houses in the City: And is now a large, stately, and proper Parish-Church; but there are no new Monuments, Galleries, Peal of Bells, nor Organ in it.

Morning Prayers are on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and publick Days, at eleven; and every Evening at six, throughout the Year.

And a weekly Lecture every Tuesday through the Year, at four in the Evening; preached by *Dr. Lilly Butler*, and paid by the *Haberdasher's Company*.

Two Half-year Lectures, one on every Wednesday at seven in the Morning, from *Lady-Day* to *Michaelmas*; preached by *Mr. Bernard Mould*, for which *Mr. Richard Crowshaw* in his *Will*, dated *April 26*, in 1631, left the Sum of twenty Pounds for Ever; upon Condition it shall be read at the same Hours, as the Lectures are usually Read in *St. Antholin's Church* in *London*, and at no other Time, otherwise the Gift to be void and

and of no Effect ; it's now paid by the Lady *Higdon* Proprietor of the Estate, in *Grace-church-street* ; but now much impaired in its annual Rents by the late Fire.

A Sermon every Friday at ten, from *Michaelmas* to *Lady-Day* ; preach'd by Mr. *Thomas Kinerfly*, and maintain'd by the Gift of Mr. *Richard Fisborn*, Mercer ; who left twenty five Pounds for this Purpose, by his Will dated *March 30*, in 1625 ; and paid now by the *Mercer's Company*, who are his Executors.

A monthly Lecture every last Saturday, at six in the Evening, before the first Sunday of the Month, as a Preparation for the Holy Sacrament ; preach'd by Mr. *William Willey*, and paid by the *Mercer's Company*.

An annual Sermon on *Good Friday* at ten, upon the Subject of Christ's Passion ; preached by Mr. *Bernard Mould*, Curate ; and maintain'd by the Gift of Mr. *James Wilford*, Merchant-Taylor, in 1499, forever.

And also some other Sermons extraordinary, on all publick State-Days, which are appointed by the Government.

Ministers. Dr. *John Adams*, Vice-Chancellor of *Cambridge*, Rector ; and Mr. *Thomas Fyson*, Lecturer.

Barwick - street Chapel, near *Sohoe*. It's now a *Chapel of Ease*, but not *parochial*, to the Parish of *St. James's* in

in *Westminster* ; and lately erected by them for that Purpose ; after it had been deserted by the French Refugees about three Years ago, who had it in possession a long Time : And is now a very beautiful and large Chapel, built of Brick, cover'd with Tile, and faced with Lead, laid with Boards, and well pew'd. It has one Bell to ring for Prayers, two spacious Galleries, a fine Communion-Table, and a stately Organ, and is kept in good Order ; wherein are Morning Prayers every Day in the Week at eleven, and in the Evening at five.

And Sermons extraordinary every *Christmas-Day*, and all publick and solemn Fasts, and Thanksgiving-Days, at eleven, as at the Mother-Church.

Ministers. Dr. *Samuel Dunster*, in the Forenoon ; and Mr. *Lee*, proper Lecturer ; but because of his present Indisposition, Mr. *Thomas Wright* is Lecturer *Pro tempore*.

St. Benediã, vulgò St. Bennet Fink in *Thread-needle-street*, near the *Royal Exchange*. It seems to be of no great Antiquity ; and is called *Fink* for Distinction, from other three of the same Dedication, from *Robert Fink* the elder, the Founder thereof ; by whom it was new built, or first built ; there is no other Account of it 'till the Year 1633, wherein

wherein it was repaired and beautified by the Parishioners, at the Charge of four hundred Pounds ; consumed in the late Fire, and again rebuilt by Act of Parliament of solid Stone, and finished in the Year 1673 ; by the Bounty of *George Holman* an Inhabitant of the Parish, who (although he was a Roman Catholick) gave one thousand Pounds Sterling for that End, and beside pay'd it with Marble, painted his own Coat of Arms and a Sun-dial upon the south Window, with the Motto *Sine lumine Inane*, which two cost him thirty Pounds more, and restored his Ancestors and his own Monument with this Inscription, *Monumentum Georgii Holman 1597, Restauratum 1673*, and was buried there in 1703. Madam *Sarah Gregory* of this Parish, gave four hundred Pounds for building an Organ, and a Gallery for it ; which is now perfectly finished, and built by Mr. *Jordan*, beside ten Pounds *per Annum* to keep it up, one hundred Pounds to the Poor, and one hundred Pounds to put poor Children to Trades ; with many more Legacies. And thus it was finished ; and is now a beautiful and stately Church, supported with six Stone-Pillars, a pretty square Tower about one hundred and ten Foot high, with a Peal of six Bells, a Gallery, a
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fine marble Font, and other Ornaments, but no new Monuments. It was rebuilt for the same Parish only, which contains about one hundred fine dwelling Houses.

This, and three more, are dedicated to St. *Benedict*, commonly called *Bennet* the *Abbot*; the Patriarch and Founder of the famous Order of *Benedictin Monks*; he is said to do many Miracles in his Life, and died in 509, which he foretold six Days before it happened.

Morning Prayers are on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, at eleven a Clock only.

Ministers. Mr. *George Evans*, Rector; but because of his Indisposition, Mr. *Valentine Haywood* is Curate, *Pro tempore*; and Mr. *Thomas Stamper*, Lecturer.

St. *Benedict*, *vulgo* St. *Bennet* Grace-Church, near the Monument. It was formerly called St. *Bennet* in *Grass-church-street*, because of a *Grass*, or *Herb-market* kept there, and now *Gracious-street*. It was destroyed in the late devouring Fire, being near to the first Eruption thereof; and rebuilt at the Charge of the Publick, all of solid Stone, and finished in 1685, and new beautified again in 1693. And is now a stately Church, adorned without with a fine Steeple, one hundred and forty nine
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 Monuments, Organ, Peal of Bells, nor
 Pillars. It's but a small Parish, con-
 sisting of about fifty dwelling Houses;
 formerly it was reported of it, there
 was only one Tavern, one Inn, one
 Coffee-house, and one Ale-house in it;
 the Truth whereof some have had the
 Curiosity to come from a far to prove,
 tho' it be otherwise now. At last it was
 enlarged by the Addition of the Parish
 of *St. Leonard East-Cheap*, called by
 some *St. Leonard Milk-Church*, from
William Melker Founder thereof, but
 now it lyes in Ashes unrepaired, and
 only converted into a Burial-Place, and
 encompassed with a large high brick
 Wall, in the Year 1670; and both to-
 gether contain about one hundred and
 ten Houses.

Morning Prayers are only on Wed-
 nesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days,
 and publick Days, at eleven a Clock.

A Donation Sermon on *November 5*,
 at ten, and *Christmas-Day* at two; and
 on some other Occasions, but uncertain.

Ministers. Mr. *Henry Halsted*, Rector;
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Mr. *Charles Johnson*, preaching Curate;
and Mr. *Gibbons Sutton*, Lecturer.

St. Bennet Shere-hog, in *St. Osyth's-lane*; vide *St. Stephen Walbrook*.

St. Benedict, vulgò **St. Bennet** on *St. Bennet's-hill* at *St. Paul's Wharf*; where Stone and other Materials were landed for the Use of that *Cathedral*. It was consumed in 1666, but repaired by Act of Parliament of Brick and Stone, and finished in 1683, in very good Order and Fashion, adorned with the Donations of some well disposed Benefactors; but no new Monuments, Organ, nor Peal of Bells are yet set up.

St. Peter, near adjoyning, on *St. Peter's Hill* by *St. Paul's Wharf* in *Thames-street*, being burnt down likewise, was not rebuilt; but erected into a Church-yard, for the Use of the old Parish, and inclosed within a beautiful brick Wall, in 1675, because it consisted of a small Parish, to the Number of about seventy Houses; and therefore called *St. Peter Parva*; but both together make up about two hundred and twelve dwelling Houses, tho' some of them be small.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and publick Days, at eleven; and Evening

ning Prayers on all Holy Days, and Saturdays, only at three.

And eight annual Lectures, all the Gift of Mr. *Thomas Pharenden*; viz. on the *Epiphany, Candlemas-Day, Easter-Monday, Ascension-Day, Whitsun-Monday, St. James's Day, Michaelmas-Day,* and *November 5*, all at eleven, besides all publick Thanksgivings, and fast Days, appointed by the Government.

Ministers, Mr. *Thomas Cook*, Rector; Mr. *Patrick Middleton*, Lecturer.

Bloomsbury Chapel. It's now a *Chapel of Ease* (but not parochial) to the Parish of *St. Giles in the Fields*, near *Montague-house*, for the Ease of these in *Bloomsbury, High Holbourn*, and these Places adjacent. Herein Mr. *Richard Baxter* preached sometime; after that Mr. *Read* purchased it for his meeting House; from whom the Inhabitants bought it some Years ago for their own Use. Some call it the *Tabernacle in great Russel-street* in *Bloomsbury*, because it's situate on the south Side of that Street. The Foundation is of Brick, the rest is of Wood done over, and cover'd with Tiles; it hath a small Bell to ring for Prayers, and being encompassed on all Sides with dwelling Houses, it's very Dark. It's laid with Boards, has a small Communion Table, but no Ornaments, and

and for the Accommodation of the Congregation, it has six or seven Galleries; and being of an old standing, is now much decay'd.

Morning Prayers are daily at eleven; and Evening Prayers at three a Clock.

The Holy Sacrament is administred every third Sunday of the Month, after Morning Sermon.

Ministers. Mr. *William Burscough*, Morning Preacher; and Mr. *Paul Bachelor*, Lecturer.

St. Botolph Aldersgate, because situate on the south Side of *Little Britain*, without *Alders-gate*, and in that *Ward*, but within the *Liberties* of the City; and dedicated to the Memory of *St. Botolph*, that famous *English Saxon*, who was born in *Cornwall* about the Time of King *Lucius*. He built a *Monastery* and *Town* in *Lincolnshire*, called *Boston*, or *Botolph's Town*, to this Day; wrought many Miracles, as it's reported, and was buried there about the Year 680; as the three following were. It was first a Brotherhood of *St. Fabian*, and *St. Sebastian*, which was first erected in 1377, and fifty first of King *Edward III*. Afterwards enlarged, founded, and endow'd by King *Henry VI*, in the twenty fourth of his Reign; and dedicated to the Honour of the *Holy Trinity*. And after-

afterwards suppressed by King *Edward VI*, in 1548, and second of his Reign ; about which Time this Parish-Church was built, upon the Foundation and Ruines thereof ; and is now an old Building somewhat dark and low, without any sensible Alteration since the first Erection, having escaped the Fury of the late Fire in great measure, tho' it came so near as to damnify some small Part of it, which was soon repaired, and was lately beautified, and is adorned with a great many remarkable Monuments and Ornaments within, and a large Clock-dial without, and a Steeple about sixty five Foot high, with five Bells therein ; and the whole Parish contains about seven hundred Houses.

Morning Prayers are every Day at eleven, and Evening Prayers at three ; which are maintained by the Legacy of *Christopher Tamworth, Esq* ; of *Gray's-Inn* ; who died *October 19*, in 1624 ; and left four hundred Pounds for that End.

Six Sermones extraordinary are preached here, viz. on *January* the first, the first Sunday in *Lent*, on *Good Friday*, *Rogation-Sunday*, *Trinity-Sunday*, and *September* the fifth, at eleven ; and maintained by the Gifts of some pious Benefactors to the Parish.

Another annual Sermon, for, and before

fore the Company of *Cloth-workers*, on *August* the twenty fifth, at eleven; founded by the Gift of the Lady *Packington*: Besides some occasional Charity Sermons, and publick Solemnities.

Ministers. Mr. *Charles Freeman*, Rector; and Mr. *Richard Chambre*, Lecturer.

The Chapel of *London-house*, in *Aldersgate-street*, belonging to the Bishop of *London*, vide *London-House*.

St. Botolph Aldgate. It's so called because it's very near *Ald-gate*, without the *Walls*, but within the Liberties of *London*, it's an antient Church, built of Brick and Stone; it escaped the-Violence of the Fire in 1666; and is adorned with a great many antient Monuments, a fine Organ, given by Mr. *Thomas Whiting*; a large Tower one hundred Foot high, with six Bells; a beautiful School-house, erected close to it by Sir *John Cass*, in 1710; and enriched with divers large Donations, from well disposed Benefactors thereto; and consists of a large and populous Parish; wherein are above one thousand dwelling Houses.

Morning Prayers are constantly at eleven; and Evening Prayers at seven in the Summer Time, and eight in the Winter, except Wednesdays, when they are at six always.

I find more Donation-Sermons appointed to be preached at this Parish-Church, than any where else ; and they are as follows, with the Account of the respective Donors.

Imprimis. On *Trinity-Sunday* in every Year, a Sermon is to be preached in Commemoration of Mr. *Newton*.

On *Trinity-Sunday* for ever, in Commemoration of *Wm. Kermett, alias Holland*.

June the seventh, in Commemoration of *Anne Newport*.

June the seventeenth, in Commemoration of Mrs. *Joan Clarke*.

June the sixteenth, in Commemoration of Mr. *William Cooch*.

September the first, in Commemoration of Mr. *Colshel Clark*, Son of Mr. *George Clark*.

October the third, in Commemoration of Mr. *Robert Cox*.

October the eighteenth in Commemoration of Mr. *Wm. Kermett, alias Holland*.

November the seventeenth in Commemoration of Mrs. *Annabel Cox*.

December, on the Sunday next before Christ's Birth-day, a Sermon is to be preached, in Commemoration of Mr. *John Rouse*.

December the nineteenth, in Commemoration of Mr. *John Webster*.

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moration of Mr. *John Waddis*.

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January the twelfth, in Commemoration of Mr. *William Allen*.

On *Good Friday* yearly, in Commemoration of Mr. *Simeon Warner*.

April the first, in Commemoration of Mr. *Samuel Owen*.

April the third, in Commemoration of Mr. *Robert Cox*.

April the eleventh, in Commemoration of Mrs. *Mary Clarke*, Wife of Mr. *George Clarke*.

April the twenty fourth, in Commemoration of Mr. *George Clarke*.

The next Sunday after the twenty fifth Day of every Quarter, for ever, a yearly Sermon is to be preached, in Commemoration of *Toby Wood*.

Next Sunday after the fifth of *June* yearly for ever, a Sermon is to be preached in Commemoration of *Anne Clarke*.

The next Sunday after *Valentines Day*, a Sermon is to be preached, in Commemoration of *Mary Bristol*.

All which Lectures are constantly observed ; according to the Will's of the pious *Donors* ; who not only settled a yearly Maintenance for the Lectures above-named, but also, ordered Mony, Coals, Bread, and other Necessaries,

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 annual set Sermons already mentioned,
 Ministers. Dr. *Thomas Bray*, Rector;
 who also sustains the Lecture.

St. Botolph Bishopsgate, in the
 nmemo- west Side of *Bishops-gate-street*, upon the
 Wife of Bank of the old *Town-ditch*, without the
 Walls, but within the *Liberties* of *Lon-*
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cessaries, Ministers. Dr. *Roger Altham*, Rector;
 to and Mr. *Joseph Watson*, Lecturer.

St. Botolph by *Billingsgate*, vide *St. George* in *Botolph lane*.

St. Bridget, alias **St. Brides** in *Bride lane* near *Fleet-street*: It is an ancient Church, first enlarged by *William Vennor*, Esq; Warden of the *Fleet* about the Year 1480; repaired and beautified by the Parish in 1632, burnt down in 1666; and soon after by Act of Parliament rebuilt all of Stone, and covered with Lead, in most stately Order, and finished in 1680; supported with strong Stone Pillars, adorned with a fine Altar-piece, Galleries, and a very fine Organ made by Mr. *Harris* for which about one hundred and eighty six Benefactors contributed; and beautified of late with a fine new Spire-steeple, seventeen Foot higher than that of *St. Mary le Bow* in *Cheap-side*; it's two hundred thirty four Foot high, and the most pleasant Ring of ten Bells about *London*; beautified again by the Parish in the Years 1698, and 1699; and is now a most spacious and handsome Parish-Church, erected by it self in a fine Church-yard for that Parish; and enriched with the Donations of many bountiful Benefactors thereto; the Parish consists of about fourteen hundred dwelling Houses.

Morning Prayers are every Day at Eleven

Eleven; and Evening at eight a Clock ; maintain'd by the Parish.

Here also are preached the famous *Spittle Sermons*, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, in *Easter Week* ; before the Lord-mayor and Alder-men of *London*, the Governors and Children of *Christ's-Hospital*, and many more ; by some eminent Divines chosen by them. This was first appointed by *Richard Rawson*, Sheriff of *London*, in 1476 ; who built a House at the *Spittle* of *St. Mary of Bethlehem*, (now *Bedlam*) for the Lord-mayor and Alder-men of *London*, to hear Sermons there on *Easter Holy-days* ; but the Church and Chapel of that ancient Hospital (founded by *Walter Brune*, Mercer, in 1203 ; and made an Hospital for Lunatics by *Simon Fitz-Mary*, Sheriff of *London*, in 1246, and dissolved by King *Henry VIII.*) being taken down in Queen *Elizabeth's* Time, the Governors of *Christ's-Hospital* obtaining the Gift of it from King *Henry VIII.*, built Houses thereon, and so that *Donation-Lecture* devolved unto them, which still continues so in their Hands, which were preached this Year by the Lord Bishop of *Salisbury*, the Dean of *Peterborough*, and Dr. *John Wagh.*

An annual Sermon on *St. Bartholomew's-day* for the Instruction of poor

Children, Apprentices, &c. which was preached and published last Year, by Dr. John Waugh.

A Musick-Sermon on St. Cecilia's Day or November 23, given now by private Gentlemen of the Parish; but formerly it was kept up by the Company of Musicians and Parish Clerks in London.

A Donation-Sermon on Christmas day, annually in the Forenoon; the Gift of Mr. Lowman.

Another on the first Sunday of July in Commemoration of Mr. Thomas White; who gave seven Pounds per Annum for ever. Besides those on January 30, November 5, September 2, and all other publick Solemnities, some Holy Days; and several occasional Sermons by Societies, for Charity Schools, and other Opportunities.

Ministers. Mr. Michael Evans, Rector. Dr. John Waugh, Lecturer.

Within the Verge of this Parish is the Fleet-Chapel by Fleet-ditch, and Bridwell Chapel within Bridewell-count. *Vide suis locis.*

Bridewell Chapel. It's an ancient and was formerly a Royal Chapel; enlarged and beautified at the Charge of the Governours and Inhabitants in 1620 burnt in 1666; rebuilt and finished in 1668; repaired and beautified again

in 1706 : And is now a very decent and pleasant Chapel. It's paved with Marble, and adorned with fine Pews, square Roof, Galleries, and a fine Altar-piece ; it is appointed for the Use of the Inhabitants of *Bride-well*, and situate within the great Court on the south Side.

Both the Church aforementioned, and this great Court, are dedicated to the Memory of *St. Bridget* or *St. Bride*, a famous *Scotish* (or as others say) an *Irish Virgin* ; and an ancient *Well* first called by her Name, tho' it be dried up many Years ago ; and then called *Bride-well*, or *St. Bridget's-well*, and *St. Brides Church*, because of their Vicinity thereto. She was eminent for Holiness of Life, and died about the Year 540.

This spacious Court was anciently the *Royal Palace* of *King John*, in 1210, and other Kings of *England* ; where they kept their Courts, and the Parliaments sate ; but in Length of Time it decayed, and was repaired by *King Henry VIII* ; where the Emperor *Charles* the fifth King of *Spain*, and his own Nephew, was most magnificently entertain'd by him, in the Year 1522, and in the fourteenth Year of his Reign. But *King Edward VI*, on the tenth Day of *April* 1552, gave it and the

Lands formerly annexed to the *Savoy Hospital* ; which amounted to seven hundred Marks of yearly Rent ; with all the Bedding and Furniture thereof, to the City of *London*, to be an *Hospital* or *Work-house* for Loyerers and lazy Persons instead of that ; which Gift was confirmed by his Charter, *June 26, 1553*, a few Days before his Death ; which was afterwards confirmed by Queen *Mary* : And in *February 1555*, the Lord-mayor, Sir. *William Gerard*, and the Alder-men of *London*, took Possession thereof ; whereupon it's incorporated by the Names of the Lord-mayor and City of *London*, Governours of the Possessions, Revenues, and Goods, of the Hospital of King *Edward VI*, the chief Founder and Patron thereof. It was rebuilt in *1620*, consumed in *1666*, rebuilt in *1668* ; and is now a spacious, beautiful, and useful *Hospital*, for the indigent ; and a *Prison* and *Correction-house* for idle Persons, disorderly Servants, Night-Walkers, and Malefactors of that Kind. Herein are brought up to Trades above one hundred poor Children yearly ; as many indigent and idle People set to Work, and Criminals chastised, besides about twenty Art-masters of all Trades, who are Freemen of *London* ; with their Apprentices, and

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and a vast many more People, who inhabit it, and are maintain'd thereby. It's governed by a President, and about three hundred and thirty Governours; for the Use and Edification of these within this Precinct, is the *private free Chapel* appointed.

Wherein are Prayers and Sermon only on Sundays, at ten and two a Clock.

And the Holy Sacrament is administered every third Sunday of the Month, at Twelve.

And an annual Sermon extraordinary before the Governours, on their Election Day; which is always upon the second or third Thursday of *August*, at their Pleasure, in the Forenoon.

Ministers. Dr. *Thomas Yalding*, Chaplain, or Minister; and Mr. *Henry Foster*, Reader, and School-master.

Cesar's Royal and Extraparo-
chial Chapel, in the *Tower of London*. It's so called from *Julius Caesar*, the *Roman Emperor*; who (as some say) built the *white Tower*, wherein this is. It was burnt in the Year 1512; and since then several *Bills*, and other *Writings* in *Chancery*, have been kept on Shelves herein, from the Year 1602, to 1660; otherwise it's not used, for Divine Worship, or any other Service; the *Parochial Church* of *St. Peter's* within

the *Tower*, being sufficient for the Inhabitants within that Precinct ; and was at last repaired in the Year 1638, when the *white Tower* was new erected.

The **Charter-house Chapel**, belonging to, and within the *great College*, or *Collegiate house*, near *west Smithfield*, which was anciently called *Chartreuse*, now *Charter-house*, being formerly a *Convent* of the *Carthusian Monks*, which are called by the French, *Les Chartreux*, from whence *Carthusian-street* there, retains the Name to this Day. The Order of *Carthusian Monks* was first founded by *Bruno* in 1080, at a Place called *Carthuse* in *Dauphine* of *France*, and brought first into *England* in 1181. And in the Time of King *Edward III*, the noble Sir *Walter de Manny*, Lord of the Town of *Manny*, in the Diocese of *Cambrey*, in the *Netherlands* ; who for some singular Service done to King *Edward III*, in *France*, was made *Knight* of the *Garter* ; founded a House here for the *Monks* of that Order in 1371, upon a Piece of Ground consisting of thirteen Acres, called *Spittle-croft* ; and dying soon after was buried here. It continued so, 'till it was, in the Year 1531, dissolved by King *Henry VIII*, who gave it to Sir *Thomas Audley*, Lord Chancellor, and Speaker to the Parliament

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which he gave to *Thomas Duke of Norfolk*, who married his Daughter *Margaret*, and from him it came to *Thomas Howard the Earl of Suffolk*, from whom it was called *Howard House*. And at last the famous *Mr. Thomas Sutton* purchased it from him, *May 9, 1611*; and by the royal Patent granted by King *James I.*, and confirmed by King *Charles I.*, founded this spacious Collegiate House; therefore it's called by his Name *Sutton's Hospital*; and was finished by his Executors, *October 3, 1614*, three Years after his Death. And now it is the richest Hospital in *Europe*, which ever was founded by one single Person, or a Subject; for the House cost him at first, thirteen thousand Pounds in ready Money; for Reparations seven thousand Pounds more; in all twenty thousand Pounds. And after all, he endowed it with above five thousand Pounds *per Annum* of standing Rent; and ever since it has been maintained by its own Revenues, without the least Addition of any other Legacies or Donations; whereby are handsomely entertained at Bed and Board, Cloaths, Physick, and other Necessaries; eighty decayed Gentlemen, or poor Brothers, forty Scholars, with two Masters, besides a Master, Chaplain, Physician, Reader, Organist, Register, Receiver,

ceiver, and *Auditor* ; with several domestic Servants. And thus it had a better Maintenance than any *Abby* in *England*, or any *Hospital* in the World, at the first Foundation. It would be endless and impossible to enumerate all the Gifts and Legacies, which this admirable Esquire *Sutton* bestowed upon poor People, *Parishes*, *Prisons*, *Ministers*, *Colleges*, *Universities*, *Churches*, and the like ; which some have reckoned up to fourteen millions six hundred and ten Pounds nineteen Shillings and four Pence ; besides private Gifts given by this rare and incomparable Anachorist or Mirror of Charity ; who gave all his Goods to the Poor ; and was contented with *Celibacy*, *voluntary Parcimony*, and much *Care* and *Industry*, like the *Bee*, for the Good of others. For the Government of this *Hospital* after the Founders Decease, his Majesty King *James I*, by his Letters Patent under the Great Seal, in 1611 , appointed many Persons of the prime Nobility, and highest Dignity, both in Church and State ; of whom are chosen sixteen Governours thereof.

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Sacred to the Glory of God, in grateful Memory of Thomas Sutton, Esquire.

Here lieth the Body of Thomas Sutton, late of Castle-Camps, in the County of Cambridge, Esq; at whose only Cost and Charge this Hospital was founded and endowed with large Possessions, for the Relief of poor Men and Children. He was a Gentleman Born at Knayth, in the County of Lincoln, of worthy and honest Parentage; he lived to the Age of seventy Nine Years, and deceased December 12, 1611. It cost about fifteen hundred Pounds Sterling.

Also of Dr. *John Patrick* Preacher for twenty four Years, *December 19, 1695*; and of Mr. *John Law* Executor to the Founder *October 17, 1614*; and some others belonging to the House, a beautiful *Organ*, the founders *Arms*, and other distinguishing Ornaments.

Morning Prayers are every Day at eleven, and Evening at five in the Summer, and two in the Winter; besides Prayers and Sermons every Sunday Morning, and Evening Prayers at five constantly, and the Holy Sacrament administered on the first Sunday of every Month.

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And an annual Sermon extraordinary is preached in Commemoration of the Founder, on *December 12*, at ten ; which was appointed by King *Charles I*, June 21, 1627.

Ministers. Dr. *John King*, Preacher ; and Mr. *Ralph Welstead*, Reader.

Christ's Church, in *Newgate street*, close to the *Hospital* of the same Name. It was first founded and so called by King *Henry VIII*, in 1546 ; out of the Ruines of the old Church of *St. Ewine* in *Newgate Market*, *St. Nicholas* in the *Shambles*, and Part of *St. Sepulchres* within *Newgate*, burnt down in 1666 ; rebuilt all of Stone, and covered with Lead in stately Order, and finished in 1687 ; a beautiful new Tower and Spire one hundred and fifty three Foot high, was raised and finished in 1704 ; and lastly repaired and beautified in 1708 ; and is now a most beautiful, spacious, and stately Parish-Church, adorned with a large and beautiful *Altar-piece*, and *Marble Font*, *fine Branches*, *Organ*, and *Galleries*, and several beautiful Monuments. Only these two are dedicated to our ever blessed Lord and Saviour *Christ Jesus* ; to whom be Honour and Worship in all Christian Churches, 'till Time shall be no more.

St. Leonard, in *Foster-lane* near *St. Vedast*

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inary *Vedast*, being burnt in 1666, but not rebuilt, and only encompassed with a large brick Wall for a Burial-place; which was by Act of Parliament annexed to this. Before the said Fire, this was the Parish-Church for the Precinct of St. *Martin le Grand*, since that great Collegiate Church (which was first founded in 1056, by *Ingelricus* and *Emardus*, two Brothers, and Cousins to King *Edward the Confessor*) was destroyed and annexed to St. *Peter's Abby* in *Westminster*, by King *Henry VII*, July 23, 1502, because this old Church of St. *Leonard's* was first founded by the Dean of St. *Martin le Grand*, about the Year 1231, and had still a Dependence thereon; whereupon this Parish is now enlarged exceedingly, and consists of about six hundred dwelling Houses.

To which is also annexed the *Hospital* of the same Name, adjoyning; where stood formerly a *Monastery* of *Gray Fryars*, founded in 1325, and surrendered to King *Henry VIII*, in 1538; who gave it to the City of *London*; and was afterwards converted into an *Hospital* for poor fatherless Children by King *Edward VI*, in 1552, whereof above four hundred are religiously and usefully educated, to the Honour of the Nation, and their great Good, wherein many

many are such excellent Proficients, that they advance to several Places of Note, and even the pretorial Chair was filled with one of them. The King ordered it to be called *Christ's Hospital*; but because the Children are cloathed with *blew Cloaths*, it's commonly called the *Blew-Coat-Hospital*; they are all obliged to attend Divine Service in this Church on all Sundays, Holy Days, and publick Days.

Morning Prayers are dayly at eleven, and Evening Prayers at five, in Summer, and three in Winter-Time.

Here are five publick Sermons annually before the Governours of *Christ's Hospital*, the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs of London, viz. upon the first Sunday of Lent, the first Sunday after *Ascension Day*, St. Matthew's Day, or September 21, November 5, and on St. Stephen's Day, or December 26; all in the Forenoon; which are paid by them.

And a Donation Sermon on *Christmas Day*, maintained by Mr. Thomas Firmin's Gift.

And an annual Sermon on July 24, at twelve a Clock, for the Company of *Shoe makers*, or *Cordwainer's*.

Besides some occasional Sermons on publick Solemnities, and other Opportunities.

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Ministers. Dr. *Samuel Barton*, Vicar ; Dr. *John Turner*, Lecturer. There are besides these, five *Readers*, or *Spiritual Clerks* ; maintained by the Governours of *St. Bartholomew's Hospital*, who read Prayers Weekly in their Turns ; who at present are Mr. *John Betts* on all Sundays of the Year, Mr. *William Hammond*, Mr. *Robert Gosling*, Mr. *Paul Lorrain*, and Mr. *William Batty* ; for which they are allowed eight Pounds *per Annum* a piece ; which is the Gift of King *Henry* the eighth, for that Purpose.

Within the Verge of this Parish is that famous Cage of unclean Birds, or hainous *Malefactors* ; I mean *New-gate Prison*, wherein is a *Chapel* for the benefit of the Prisoners. Which see.

Christ's Church in *Surry*, within the Diocess of *Winchester*. It's among the newest Churches about *London*, being taken out of the Parish of *St. Saviours* by Act of Parliament, for a Parish-Church for the Liberty of *Paris-Garden* there ; founded, endowed, and finished, in 1671, by Mr. *John Marshal* ; a Steeple all of Brick, (as the whole Edifice is) about one hundred twenty five Foot high ; was finished in 1695 ; wherein are eight good Bells, given by eight several Benefactors ; and a beautiful Altar-piece in 1696. It's now a very beautiful

beautiful Parish-Church, consisting of a numerous Congregation, made up of about eight hundred Dwelling-Houses.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, at eleven ; but no more.

And a preparation Sermon for the approaching Sacrament, on the last Friday of the Month, at ten ; preached by the Minister, and maintained by a religious Society of the Parish.

Ministers, Mr. *James Finlay*, Rector ; who also sustains the Place of the Lecturer.

St. Christopher in *Thread-needle-street*, near the *Royal-Exchange*. It's a Church of no great Antiquity, being built and finished in 1462, the Steeple in 1506 ; all repaired and beautified by the Parishioners in 1621, and much damaged in 1666, but soon after repaired ; beautified again in 1696, and at last in 1712, by them, and is now a very neat, decent and beautiful Church. It's called also *St. Christopher le Stocks*, because it's situate near *Stocks-Market*, which was so called from a Pair of Stocks, formerly set up there to punish Offenders : And contains about one hundred fine dwelling Houses. It's dedicated to that fabulous Saint and Martyr *Christopher*.

Prayers are dayly at six in the Morning
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and six in the Evening ; which are maintained by the Gift of Mr. *John Kenrick*, Draper of *London* ; who by his Will dated *December 29, 1624*, left four hundred Pounds *per Annum* for ever, in the Hands of the *Drapers Company*, whereof twenty Pounds is to be given to the *Curate* of this Parish, for Reading Morning Prayers here ; and the rest for other charitable Uses.

Ministers. Dr. *William Bramston*, Rector ; and Mr. *William Willey*, Lecturer.

St. Clement Danes, in the *Strand*, without *Temple-bar*. It's an ancient Church, was dedicated to St. *Clement*, Disciple to St. *Peter* Bishop of *Rome*, in 93 ; and Author of the *Epistles* to the *Corinthians* ; who is mentioned by St. *Paul* ; and was Martyr'd in 100 ; which mournful Day is celebrated annually on *November 9* : And called *Danes*, because in the Days of *Canutus*, and other *Danish* Kings, it belonged to the *Danes* ; herein they buried their Dead, and particularly *Harold* the eldest Son of *Canutus*, and his Successor, dying at *Oxford*, was buried at *Westminster* ; but some few Months after was taken up, beheaded, and flung into the *Thames*, by the Order of *Hardi Canute* his half Brother and Successor ; but afterwards taken up again by some Fishermen, and buried

buried here, in 1040; wherefore it must be at least about seven hundred Years old. Afterwards King *Henry II*, gave it to the Use of the *Knights Templers*, as being near to them without *Temple-bar*: And after that was in the Liberties of the *Dutchy of Lancaster*. It was repaired in 1608, and 1633; but being greatly decayed, was pulled down in the Year 1680, and rebuilt and finished all of Stone, by the Parish, and other Gifts, in 1682. It stands in the Church-yard, facing the *Strand*, with a *fine Dial, Clock, and Portico*, and a *beautiful Steeple*, one hundred sixteen Foot high; wherein are nine good *Bells*, and within a beautiful *Altar-piece*, *fine Chancel* paved with black and white *Marble*, *fine Monuments*, two large *Brass-Branches*, and an *Organ*. And thus it's a spacious and beautiful Parish Church; consisting of a large and populous Parish, wherein are seventeen hundred and thirty dwelling Houses; which make a numerous Congregation, there being no Chapels of Ease.

Morning Prayers are every Day at eleven; and Evening at three, and again at eight in Week-days, and seven on Sundays; which last are maintained by the Contributions of some well disposed Parishioners; but first begun by the

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The Holy Sacrament is administred every Sunday, at twelve a Clock ; beside other publick Solemnities.

And a publick Sermon extraordinary is preached on every Holy Day, and publick Day, appointed by the Government.

A Monthly Lecture upon the first Sunday, at five a Clock in the Evening; maintained by a Society of the Parish, for the Use of the Poor.

Ministers. Mr. *William Foster*, Rector; Mr. *George Bell*, and Mr. *John Rogers*, joint Lecturers.

St. Clement, near *Great East-Cheap* in *St. Clement's-lane*, and within the *Walls* of London: It's probably of no long standing; the first Account of it is in 1632, when it was repaired by the Parish; it was burnt in 1666; rebuilt by Act of Parliament of Brick and Stone, in 1686, repaired and beautified and opened *November 23, 1709*. And is now a stately and beautiful Church, adorned with a fine *Steeple* eighty eight Foot high, a spacious and beautiful *Altar-piece*, a fine *Marble Font*,
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an *Organ*, and neat *Gallery*, and some other *Ornaments*; and is the second in *Order*, which is dedicated to the famous *St. Clemens Romanus*, who was canonized by *St. Paul* himself, *Philip. 4. 3.*

St. Martin Organs being burnt, but not rebuilt; the old *Parish* was annex'd to this by *Act of Parliament*; whereby this *Parish* is enlarged, and now consists of about 160 *Dwelling-Houses*.

Morning Prayers are here only on *Wednesdays*, *Fridays*, and *Holy Days*, at eleven a *Clock*.

And a *Weekly Sermon* extraordinary is preach'd on every *Wednesday* at eleven, from *Michaelmas* to *Lady-day*, preached by the *Rector*; and maintained by the *Gift of Mr. Hall* of the *Parish*.

An annual *Sermon* on *October 11*, at eleven a *Clock*; by the *Gift of Esquire Midlemore*.

Likewise three annual *Sermons*, for, and before the *Company of Cloath-workers*; constantly in the *Months of January, July, and September*, in the *Forenoon*; but undeterminate as to the *Day*, which depends upon their *Pleasure*; but maintained by the *Gift of Mr. Francis Barnham, Alderman*; who was buried here in 1575; and afterwards also his Son *Benedict Barnham, Alderman*,

man, in 1598, in the same Place.
Ministers. Dr. *Thomas Gooch*, Rector;
and Mr. *Lilly Butler*, Lecturer.

St. Dionyse or **Dionis**; commonly called *Dionis Back-Church*. It's the only Church of that Name and Distinction, dedicated to St. *Dennis* or *Dionysius* the *Areopagite*, who was converted from Heathenism by St. *Paul's* preaching, and curing a blind Man at *Athen's*, *Acts* 17. 34. and afterwards Bishop thereof. He is the supposed Author of that ancient Book *de Cœlesti Hierarchia*; and the Champion or Patron of the Kingdom of *France*; whereinto he is said to have been sent after St. *Paul's* Death, by Pope *Clement*, and there suffered Martyrdom, being beheaded under *Decius* or *Dioclesian*. And called *Back-Church*, because it stands *back* from the fore Part of the Street, whereas St. *Bennet Grace-Church* over against it, faces the said Street exactly. It was new built in the Reign of King *Henry VI*, enlarged in 1466, paved in 1629, the Steeple built and Bells hung up in 1632, burnt down in 1666; rebuilt all of Stone, and finished in 1674; the Steeple is ninety Foot high, wherein are six Bells, 'twas erected in 1684: And is now a very decent Church, adorned with some fine
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Monuments, and enriched with divers Gifts of charitable Benefactors. The old Parish contains one hundred and fifty dwelling Houses ; and therefore no other Parish was annexed to this Church at the last Erection thereof.

Morning Prayers are dayly at eight in the Summer, and nine in the Winter Time ; and Evening Prayers at five constantly ; which are maintained by the Gift of Sir Robert Jeffreys, Lord Mayor, who gave four hundred Pounds *per Annum* for ever ; now payed by the *Ironmongers* Company his Trustees, he died *February* 26, 1703 ; and is interr'd under a beautiful and spacious Marble Monument in the Chancel.

Ministers. Dr. *Lionel Gatford*, Rector ; and Mr. *Matthew Mead*, Lecturer.

The Chapel in **Drapers Alms-Houses**, in *Black-man-street*, in *St. George's-fields*, and belonging to that Parish in *Southwark* ; they were built by Mr. *John Walter*, Citizen and Draper of London, in 1651 ; for sixteen Poor of the Parish and the Company, consisting of eight good Alms-Houses, with Gardens annexed, an annual Allowauce of Coals and other Conveniences, beside five Shillings *per Month*, paid by the *Drapers* Company ; and a proper private Chapel for that Use, wherein are Mor-

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The Chapel in Drapers Alms-houses, in the Parish of *St. Mary Newington Butts*, about a Mile further, near that Church, founded by the above-named Mr. *John Walter*, and of the same Number and Order in all Things with these of *St. George's Parish* above described, only it's much failing and decayed, to the great Damage of the Poor, which I need not to repeat.

The Chapel in Duke-street by *Storiesgate* in *St. James's Park*. It's a private Chapel in the Parish of *St. Margaret Westminster*, founded by Mr. *Higgins*, and private Subscriptions, in 1709, to which the Gentry and others in *Duke-street*;

Street, Charles-street, Crown-court, and other Places thereabout commonly resort. For whom are

Morning Prayers daily at eleven, and in the Evening at four a Clock; and Sermon every Sunday, both Forenoon and Afternoon, at the usual Hours.

The Holy Sacrament is administred now only every Sunday and Holy Day at twelve a Clock.

Ministers. Mr. *Gee*, and Mr. *Andrew Trebeck*.

St. Dunstan in the *East*, between *Idle-lane* and *St. Dunstan's-bill*, near *Tower-street*, and therefore called *St. Dunstan Juxta Turrim Londini*; and in the *East* from it's Situation in the *East End* of this City, and to distinguish it from that in the *West End*, in *Fleet-street*. It's probably an ancient Church; it was repaired or new built in 1633, consumed in 1666, rebuilt of Stone by the large Gifts of the Lady *Mary Moore*, who gave four thousand Pounds, her Husband Sir *John Moore*, and several other charitable Benefactors; and new beautified, and the Steeple seventy five Foot high erected, in 1698; and now it's a pleasant and beautiful Church, adorned with several beautiful Marble Monuments, especially of Sir *John Moore*, Lord Mayor, who died June 2, 1702, and

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and his *Lady*, *May* 16, 1690; *John Garret* Physician, *August* 8, 1683, *Richard Hall*, Esq; in 1620; a fine Organ, a new Altar-piece, built in 1706, and other Ornaments.

These three are dedicated to the Memory of the famous *St. Dunstan*, born at *Glaffenbury* in *Somersetshire* about the Year 933: A great proficient in *Painting*, *Graving*, *Musick*, and another *Tubal-cain* in *Brass* and *Iron*, who after many Crosses and Changes, arriv'd to the *Archbishoprick* of *Canterbury*, where he mightily opposed the *Marriage of the Clergy*. He was of an *Austere Life*, and died in the Year 987, or 988, and was buried there under the high Altar. To this Parish-Church none was annexed, for the Parish contains three hundred dwelling Houses.

Prayers are only upon Wednesdays, and Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven a Clock.

Here is a Quarterly Lecture every Tuesday at five a Clock in the Evening, from *Michaelmas* to *Midsummer*; maintain'd by a Society, and preached by *Dr. William Hayley*.

And an annual Sermon upon the first Tuesday of *August* at twelve, before, and for the Company of *Cloth-workers*.

Another upon *Good Friday* at ten,

maintained by the Gift of Sir *John Moore*, in 1702.

Another upon *St. Simon and Jude's Day*, maintained by the Gift of Sir *William Ruffon*.

And upon *September 2*, on the Fire of *London*; *November 5*, upon the Gunpowder Treason; *January 30*, and some other publick Occasions; maintained by the Gifts of other Benefactors to the Church.

Ministers. Mr. *William Stringfellow*, Rector; and Mr. *William Thomas*, Lecturer.

St. Dunstan at *Stepney*, alias *Stebon-Hythe* or *Heath*, which is the Name of the Lordship to which this Church belongs. It's certainly among the most ancient Churches about *London*, probably built before *St. Dunstan*; and then dedicated to *All Saints*; and called *Ecclesia omnium Sanctorum de Stepney*; and being rebuilt or repaired in his life Time or a little afterwards, it was dedicated to his Memory, who was then very famous among the *Saxons*. A western Portico was built in 1612, and the whole repaired in 1685, and is a very old, low, dark Building, and very unproportionable for a spacious Parish, and innumerable Inhabitants. It's situate without the Walls, Liberty, and Freedom

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Freedom of *London*, but in the County of *Middlesex*, and within a spacious and beautiful Church-yard, which is every where filled with many remarkable Monuments of divers famous Persons, wherein are several ingenious and fine Inscriptions, but too many to be inserted here, and sufficient for a particular Treatise. The Walls are built of Flint, Brick, and Portland-Stone, and covered with Lead, and lined within and without every where, with fine ancient Monuments. I shall mention only that Stone about two Foot long, and ten Inches broad, placed in the Wall of the Chancel, and brought from *Carthage*, in 1633, by one *Thomas Hughes*, with this Inscription,

*Of Carthage Great I was a Stone,
O Mortals Read with pity!
Time consumes all, spareth none,
Man, Mountain, Town, or City:
Therefore, O Mortals all! bethink
You, whereunto you must;
Since now such stately buildings
Lye buried in the dust.*

Both Church and Church-yard are too little for a large and populous Parish; for it's the most ample Parish about *London*, consisting of about nine
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thousand dwelling Houses ; or in all *England*, and perhaps in *Europe*. The Bill of Mortality is commonly equal in Number to those of ninety seven Parishes within the Walls of the City ; and of greater Extent than any in the World, if that were true, whereof some have had the Ambition to boast, that it extends to the Isle of *St. Helen* in the *West-Indies*. However it's divided into seven Hundreds, whereof every one might make a sufficient City or Parish of it self, viz. *Ratcliffe, Mile-end, Lime-house, Poplar, Spittle-fields, Bednal-green, and Wapping.*

Morning Prayers are here every Week-day at eleven ; and Evening at three in the Winter, and six in the Summer.

The Holy Sacrament is administred every first and second Sunday of the Month, at twelve a Clock.

Here are several extraordinary and occasional Lectures, and Funeral Sermons at the Death of several Persons of Note, or Commemoration Sermons ; as *Mr. Richard Underhill* by his Will, in 1671, gave sixty Pounds for Bread to the Poor for ever, and a Sermon ; and several others but uncertain.

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Several Parishes have formerly been taken from this, and yet four *Chapels of Ease* do still belong to it, viz. *Poplar-Chapel*, *Stratford le Bow*, the *Tabernacle* in *Pettycoat-lane*, and the *Tabernacle* in *Spittle-fields*, *vide suis locis*.

St. Dunstan in the *West*, between *Chancery-lane* and *Fetter-lane*, and within *Temple-bar* on the north Side of *Fleet-street*, is so called for it's Situation in the *west End* of the City, and Distinction from others of the same Dedication. It's an ancient Church and an old Building, having escaped the late Fire, and has not been rebuilt these many Years, but only repaired and beautified several Times, and at last in 1701. It is now a beautiful and spacious Church, adorned without with a Tower one hundred Foot high, wherein are six small Bells, and a large Clock-dial, over which stand in a Niche two Figures of Wild-men or Savages, as big as the Life, carved in Wood and painted, each has a knotty Club in his right Hand, wherewith they strike every Quarter, at which both their Arms and Heads move. This curious Machine was set up by the Parish, in 1671. And within are three fine

Branches, Galleries, and a great many ancient Monuments, a fine carved Roof covered without with Lead, and other Ornaments. The Parish contains four hundred and sixty dwelling Houses, besides as many within the *Liberty* of the *Rolls*, and *Precinct* of *White-fryars*.

Morning Prayers are continually at seven a Clock, except Holy Days sometimes, when there is a Sermon and Prayers at ten, and on all Wednesdays and Fridays, Holy Days and publick Days again at ten, maintained by the Gift of *Edward Marshal*, who gave ten Pounds *per Annum* for the certain Term of a Lease, and died *December 10, 1675*, but afterwards his Son *John Marshal* did perpetuate it for ever. And Evening Prayers every Week-day at three, and Sunday at five ; besides other usual Hours.

The Holy Sacrament is administred on every Sunday, and Holy Day at twelve ; and every Day in the Octaves of *Christmas*, *Easter*, and *Whitsunday* at eight, after Morning Prayers.

Here is preached a Weekly Lecture Sermon every Thursday at three in the Afternoon, from the first Thursday in *Michaelmas Term*, unto the last in *Trinity Term*, and maintained by the Gift of

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An annual Sermon on July 10, at ten a Clock, for the Company of *Shoemakers*.

Likewise on April 16, in Commemoration of Mr. *William Crouch*, Mercer, who left ten Shillings for this purpose, and twenty Pounds ready Money, and ten Pounds *per Annum* for ever to the Poor, and died April 16, 1606.

Besides several other Donation-Sermons, as on December 2, March 14, November 5, January 30. And some other Days in Commemoration of Mr. *Henry Web*, Mr. *John Baker*, Mrs. *Catharine Tirrill*, Mrs. *Parthenia Lowman*, and other Benefactors to this Parish.

Ministers. Dr. *John Grant*, Vicar; Dr. *William Lupton*, Lecturer.

St. Edmund the King and Martyr, on the north Side of *Lombard-street*. It's probably a very ancient Church, called formerly *St. Edmund Grass-Church*, because the *Grass-market* extended from *Grass-Church-street* thus far, but still dedicated to the Memory of *St. Edmund the King of the East-Angles*, and Martyred by the Danes at *Edmundsbury* in *Suffolk*, in 870; about which Time this might be founded, while his Name and Death was fresh among the *Saxons*,

which was celebrated annually on *November 20.* It was burnt in 1666, rebuilt by Act of Parliament all of Stone, and finished in 1690, adorned without with a fine Clock-dial and new Spire, erected in 1709; and within with a beautiful Altar-piece placed at the north End of the Church, an Organ, and Galleries, and the Queen's-Arms painted upon Glass over the Communion Table, and set up in the memorable Year of the Union 1707, when the whole Church was repaired and beautified.

St. Nicholas Acon's, or Hacon's, being burnt in 1666; the Parish thereof was by Act of Parliament annexed to this, whereby it was somewhat enlarged, but yet still it is a small Parish, for both make up about one hundred and fifty fine Dwelling-Houses.

Morning Prayers are herein daily at eleven; and in the Evening at seven a Clock.

And a preparation Sermon every last Sunday of the Month, at five in the Evening, kept up by a religious Society of the Parish these several Years, by whose charitable Endeavours poor Children are educated and put out Apprentices, and Contributions gathered then for that purpose.

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Ministers. *Dr. Thomas Lynford*, Rector; and *Mr. Thomas Shephard*, Lecturer.

Ely-House Chapel, upon *Holborn-hill* over against *St. Andrew's Church*. It's so called, because it belongs to the *Bishop of Ely*, from the *Isle of Ely* in *Cambridgeshire*, where is the *Abby of Ely*, which was made a Bishop's See, and the Bishoprick taken out of *Lincoln* by King *Henry I*, in 1109, and tenth Year of his Reign, when he translated *Harvy* then Bishop of *Bangor* thereto. And this *House* was first given to the Bishops of *Ely*, by *William de Land* Bishop of this See, in the Reign of King *Richard I*, in 1190; and afterwards enlarged by *Thomas Fitz-Alan* or *Arundel* then Bishop thereof, in the Reign of King *Richard II*, about the Year 1390; and ever since it has continued to be the *City-dwelling Place*, (as all other Bishops of *England* formerly had) and this the domestick Chapel of the Lord Bishop of *Ely* for the Time being, as it's now of the Reverend *Dr. John Moore*, which is ordered at his Pleasure and for his Use; and is still a spacious, beautiful, and Ancient Edifice, kept in very good and decent Order.

If his Lordship resides here, Morning Prayers are every Day at eight, and.

and on all Sundays, Holy Days, and publick Days again at Eleven, and Evening Prayers at four continually, besides a publick Sermon every Sunday at eleven, for the domesticks, but free to all that come; and Prayers again at five every Sunday Night; where also the Sacrament is celebrated every first Sunday of the Month; but if the Family be removed there is no Worship or Divine Service, all which is performed by Mr. *Charles Morgan*, his Lordship's Chaplain.

St. Ethelburga, *vulgo St. Ethelburgh* on the east Side of *Bishopsgate-street*, near to, and within the Gate. It's an old but small Parish-Church, repaired and beautified in 1612, and the small Spire Steeple in the Year 1620, and a Gallery made at the Charge of Mr. *Owen Saintpeir*, in 1629. It escaped the devouring Flames in 1666, only the Steeple being damnified, was repaired again in 1694, and the Church in 1701, a Vestry was built by the Parish in 1702, and an Altar-piece set up in 1705; and is now a neat and decent Church. And the only one that is dedicated to the Memory of *Ethelburga*, Daughter of *Ethelbert*, and Queen to King *Edwine*, both Christian Kings converted by St. *Austine* the Monk, and for her holy Life called St. *Ethelburga*.

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Morning Prayers are here only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days at eleven of the Clock.

Lectures extraordinary are on *January 30, May 29, September 2, November 5*, and all other publick Solemnities.

Ministers. *Mr. Luke Milbourn*, Rector; and *Mr. William Batty*, Lecturer.

St. Faith, under *St. Paul's Cathedral*, *vide St. Austine.*

The Chapel in the Fleet, which is appointed for the Benefit and Use of the Prisoners in that great, ancient, and spacious Prison for insolvent Debtors, called the *Fleet*; because of that Brook or Water, called *Fleet-ditch* running close by it, which was made navigable in the Year, 1676, with a large deep Channel one hundred Foot broad, at the Charge of seventy four thousand Pounds Sterling, over which are erected three stately Stone Bridges, in the Years 1672, and 1674; called *Bridwell-Bridge*, *Fleet Bridge*, and *Fleet-lane-Bridge*, extending from the River of *Thames* to *Holbourn Bridge*, and is now very Commodious for importing Coals and other Necessaries into the City, consisting of many large Coal-Cellars for that purpose; the Chapel is kept in good and decent Order. Wherein

Wherein are only Morning Prayers on all ordinary Days at eleven a Clock, but on all Sundays and Holy-days at ten, and in the Evening at three, besides a Sermon every Sunday in the Forenoon.

Besides the first Sunday of the Month, the Holy Sacrament is administred at *Christmas, Easter, Whitsunday*, and before *Michaelmas Term*.

Minister. Mr. *John Taylor* Chaplain, who is paid forty Pounds *per Annum*, from the Warden of the *Fleet*, at present *John Higgins*, Esq;

St. Gabriel in *Fenchurch-street*, vide *St. Margaret Pattons* in *Rood-lane*.

St. George's Chapel in *Queen's-square*, near *Ormond-street* in *Bloomsbury*. It's a very stately, convenient and large Chapel of Ease to the Parish of *St. Andrew Holbourn*, for the Ease of those in *Bloomsbury* and *Red-lion-square*, and other Places thereabouts, and too remote from the Mother-Church, built by the Contributions of the Nobility, Gentry, and others there, in 1706, sufficient for a Parish-Church, for which it's now rightly designed, without any Reparation or Addition, having the last Year had the Conveniency of a suitable Burying-place in the Fields by *Lamb's-Conduit* added thereto, which was in-

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In this Chapel or new Church, Morning Prayers are every Day at eleven; and Evening at four a Clock.

Sacraments are administred every Sunday, on *Good Friday, New-years-day*, and some other solemn Occasions, at twelve a Clock.

Lectures extraordinary and Prayers, are on *January 30, November 5*, and all solemn

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Ministers. Dr. *John Marshal*, Morning
Preacher; and Mr. *Wm. Burscough*, Lecturer.

St. George, in *Botolph-lane* and *George-lane* near the *Monument*, and within the *Walls*. It's called also *St. George East-Cheap*, because it's situate therein; it was repaired and beautified in 1627, burnt down in 1666, rebuilt all of Stone, covered with Lead, and finished in 1674; and is now a fine, neat, but small Parish-Church. **St. Botolph** by *Billingsgate* in *Thames-street*, so called because it stood near to *Billingsgate*, (which tho' now a Wharf or Dock for landing all Sorts of Commodities transported hither by Water; was formerly a Gate or Port, while the ancient Walls stood on that Side of the City next the River; but first built and named from *Belinus*, an ancient King of *Britain*, about four hundred Years before Christ's Incarnation,) being burnt in 1666, was only inclosed with a Brick-wall for a Burial-place for the old Parish, which was by Act of Parliament annexed to this, and yet but scarcely make up one hundred Dwelling-houses.

In this united Parish Church Morning Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days at eleven a Clock.

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Ministers. Dr. *William Bedford*, Rector;
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St. George the Martyr, in the *Borough* of *Southwark* in the County of *Surry*, and for Distinction called *St. George's Southwark*. It's an ancient Church and formerly belonged to the *Priory of Bermondsey*, to which it was given in 1122, by *Thomas Arderne*, but is now a proper Parish Church, since that was suppressed, and enlarged, repaired, new pewed, and the Steeple erected, in 1629, and beautified and repaired again in 1682, and the Steeple in 1705; yet it's a very old decayed Building of Brick and Stone, situate within a Church-yard facing *Black-man-street*, the *Borough*, and *Kent-street*; beautified within with a pretty *Altar-piece*, *Gallery* and *Organ*, the Arms of twenty one Companies, who contributed one hundred and fifty six Pounds sixteen Shillings and eight Pence, for the Reparation of it, and several famous ancient Monuments; as of Mr. *John Hawkins*, Mathematician 1695, *Edward Cocker*, Arithmetician, *Etheldred Reynel* 1618, *James Savage* 1588, *William Evance* 1590, &c. Bishop *Bonner* dying in the *Marshalsea-prison* in 1557, is buried here also. Altho' it be pretty capacious by Reason
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of the Galleries and Isles, it's too little for a populous Parish consisting of above eight hundred Dwelling-houses.

Herein are Morning Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and publick Days, at ten a Clock.

And a preparation Sermon for the approaching Sacrament, on the third Sunday of the Month, at five a Clock in the Evening; which is maintained by a religious Society of the Parish.

There are likewise Sermons and Prayers upon *January 30, November 5, Good Friday, Ash-wednesday*, and some other Holy Days, and on all State Days, at ten a Clock.

Ministers. *Dr. Richard Hook*, Rector; *Mr. Anthony Smith* his Curate; and *Mr. Stephen Heath*, Lecturer.

Within this Parish are these five Chapels, viz. two in these two noted Prisons of the *Marshalsea*, and the *Queen's Bench*, that in *Drapers Alms-houses* in *Blackman-street*, in *Fish-mongers Alms-houses* built by *Sir Thomas Hunt*, and in the *Lock-hospital* at the lower End of *Kent-street*, *vide suis locis*.

The Chapel in *Mr. George Witcher's Alms-houses* in *Tuttle-fields*, in *St. Margaret's Westminster*: These were founded by

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St. Giles's, at the lower End of *Red-cross-street* without *Cripplegate*, and therefore it's called *St. Giles's Cripplegate*, from the Vicinity thereto, which was so denominate from an *Hospital* of poor *Cripples* near to this Gate, called also *Porta Contractorum*, who used to beg there. This Church was first built by one *Alfune* the Proctor of *St. Bartholomew's-Hospital* at *West-Smithfield* and Bishop of *London*, about the Year 1090, or 1102, burnt in 1545, built up soon after of Flint-stone, Free-stone, and Bricks, repaired again in 1623, a new *Gallery* on the south Side was erected by *William Worral* in 1682; and the whole was repaired and beautified in 1704: And is now a very spacious and beautiful Church, situate in a large Church-yard, wherein is a spacious and beautiful *Chancel*, *Altar-piece*, *Font*, *Galleries*, and *Organ*, under which is a fine *Clock*, and another outwardly in the *Steeple*, facing

cing the Street, a large square Steeple one hundred and twenty two Foot high, wherein are eleven fine Bells ; a fine carved Roof covered with Lead ; besides a great many very ancient and remarkable Monuments of several famous Persons, as the famous Martyrologist Mr. *John Fox*, April 18, 1587, Mr. *John Speed*, July 28, 1629, *Henry Giffard Esq;* July 15, 1602, *Constance Whitney*, rising out of a Coffin, as an Emblem of the Resurrection of the Dead, which some falsely take for Matter of Fact, in Remembrance of a Gentlewoman who rose again, *Roger Mason* in 1606, *William Day* in 1603, *Thomas Busby*, July 11, 1575, and a great many more Benefactors ; and consists of a large and populous Parish, wherein are about four thousand Dwelling-houses.

These two only are dedicated to the Memory of *St. Giles*, the Holy Abbot and Confessor, born at *Athens*, Abbot of *Nismes* near *Roan*, where he died about the Year 700, his Festival is celebrated annually on September 1.

Morning Prayers are herein only on *Litany-days*, i. e. Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, at eleven ; and Evening Prayers at eight, excepting Sunday Nights, kept up by the Subscriptions

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Lectures are, a Weekly Gift Sermon every Sunday Morning at six in the Summer, and seven in the Winter, preached by Dr. *Joseph Rawson*; and a Sermon on every Thursday at three a Clock, from *Michaelmas* to *Whitsunday*, preached by Mr. *Dacier*, and maintained by the Gift of Mr. *Throckmorton Trotman*, who also founded a free School in *Bunhill-fields* for the poor Children of the Parish, in 1673, which is now payed by the Company of *Haberdashers* his Trustees.

A Charity-Sermon, preached on the last Sunday of every Month at five in the Afternoon, for the Use of the Children.

Another in Commemoration of *Charles Langley*, Brewer, who was buried here June 8, 1602.

And on all publick State-days, and some other Occasions.

Ministers. Dr. *Edward Fowler*, Lord Bishop of *Gloucester*, Vicar; and Mr. *Samuel Burges*, his preaching Curate; and Dr. *Joseph Rawson*, Lecturer.

Chapels are two, but too few for such a populous Parish, viz. that in *Noble-street*, and that in the *Pest-house*, *vide suis locis*.

St. Giles's in the Fields. It's situate in the west End of *St. Giles's High-street* in

in the County of *Middlesex*, and therefore it's called *St. Giles Extra London*. It's of a very ancient Foundation, built in the *Fields* before any Dwelling-Houses were erected that Way; and first an Hospital was built there by Queen *Maud* or *Matilda*, Wife to King *Henry I*, about the Year 1100, about the same Time that she founded the *Priory* of *Holy Trinity* at *Aldgate*, and the first Stone-bridge in *England* by *Stratford le Bow*. At this Hospital all Criminals carried from *London* to be executed at *Tyburn*, were presented with a great Bowl of Drink, called *St. Giles's Bowl*, to drink at pleasure as their last Refreshment in this Life. Afterwards it was surrendered and demolished, in the thirty sixth Year of King *Henry VIII*; who granted it to the *Lord Dudley*, and after that this Church was built upon the old Foundation in 1624, and finished in 1628, encompassed with a large Brick-wall in 1631; the outer Gates to the Street were painted and built up in 1687, and further beautified in 1704; a new Gallery on the south Side was built in 1671, and another on the north Side in 1677, and the whole was repaired again in 1699, a fine Dial set up in the east Corner in 1705. It's now a very spacious and

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and beautiful Church, wherein is a fine Organ, Galleries, Branch, and many curious and beautiful Monuments both old and new, much Painting upon the Windows of the Figures of *Abraham, Moses, David, Solomon, &c.* situate in a large Church-yard, but both are too little for a populous Parish, wherein are about three thousand Dwelling-Houses. This stately Church and Tower seventy five Foot high, (wherein are six Bells) are built of Brick, but the Pillars and Arches within are of Stone.

Morning Prayers are daily at ten, and Evening Prayers at three a Clock.

Besides the general Season, the *Holy Sacrament* is administred every second Sunday of the Month after Morning Prayers at seven a Clock ; and some other solemn Times.

These annual Sermons extraordinary are preached here, *viz.* on *November 5, Christmas-Day, January 30*, at ten, on *Good Friday* at ten and three. A preparation Sermon for the Sacrament upon the last Sunday of the Month, at five a Clock in the Evening, which is maintained by the Gift of *Mrs. Pierrepont* of the Parish.

Ministers. *Dr. William Hayley*, Rector; and *Mr. Thomas Knaggs*, Lecturer.

Chapels are only two, *viz.* that in *Bloomsbury*,

Bloomsbury, and in great *Queen's-street* by *Lincoln's-Inn-fields*. *vide*.

The Chapel in the Gray-coat Hospital in *Tuttle fields*, in the Parish of *St. Margaret Westminster*. This *Hospital* was founded by Letters Patent in 1706, for seventy poor Boys, and forty Girls, who are entertain'd with Meet, Drink, Cloaths, and Lodging, and put out Apprentices when they have done, by the Contributions of many bountiful and very charitable Benefactors of good Note, for whose further Edification, this Chapel is appointed, wherein are Prayers every Morning at seven, and Night at six a Clock, by the Master for the Time, at present Mr. *Thomas Ashington*.

Gray's-Inn Chapel, in *Chapel-court* near the *Hall* within *Gray's-Inn*. This *Inn* was anciently for a long Time the Dwelling-House of the Right Honourable and ancient Family of the Lord *Gray's of Wilton*, from whom it retains the Name, and from whom the Students of the Law had it by Lease, in the Time of King *Edward III*, and it being dissolved in the thirtieth of King *Henry VIII*, was granted them in the thirty second, which still continues in their Possession without any Alteration but to the better; It being adorned

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Morning Prayers daily at eleven, and Evening Prayers at three in the Winter, and five in the Summer-Time; but Prayers and Sermon on Sunday, begin at half an Hour before ten, and at two in the Afternoon.

The Sacrament is administred twice every Term, at the Discretion of the Minister, besides at *Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday*.

Ministers. Dr. *Robert Moss* is Morning Preacher, and Chaplain to this Honourable Society. And Dr. *Thomas Gooch*, Afternoon Preacher.

Guild-hall Chapel; it fronts *Guild-hall-yard*, and is joynt between that and *Blackwell-hall*; and so called because adjoining to this *Hall*, which is a most spacious and beautiful Edifice, becoming the Grandeur of this Royal City. As *London* is the *Lady of Cities*, this is the *Ladies Chamber*; being the great Court of Judicature for the City of *London* and *Middlesex*. It was begun to

be built by Sir *Thomas Knolles*, Lord Mayor, in the twelfth Year of King *Henry IV*, 1411; and after much Cost and Pains burnt, or much demolished by the late devouring Fire, but rebuilt very magnificently, and adorned with most curious Workmanship, many fine Rooms, rich Hangings, and lively Effigies of their Majesties, many of the Nobility, and Ministers of State, and the famous Giants, *Gogmagog*, and *Corineus*, and several *Trophies* taken from the *French* at the bloody Battle of *Ramillies*, &c. This fine free and extra-parochial Chapel was founded in 1299, new rebuilt in the eighth Year of King *Henry VI*, in 1429. It consisted of seven Chaplains, three Clerks, four Choristers, and some others, and was endowed with the Gifts of several Persons of Distinction. And at last surrendered in the thirtieth of King *Henry VIII*, and afterwards granted by King *Edward VI*, in the fourth of his Reign, 1550, to the Lord Mayor and Commonalty of *London*; and ever since called the *Lord Mayor's Chapel*, as belonging to him, or commonly *Guild-hall Chapel*, as being near or belonging thereto. But at the first building, the Chapel or College of *St. Mary Magdalene* and *All Saints*, and *London College*, be-

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cause of the Library that was there ; from the first Donation 'till the finishing of *St. Paul's Cathedral*, the *Lord Mayor* and *Court of Aldermen* resorted hither every Sunday, and Court-day, *i. e.* Tuesdays and Thursdays, and perhaps oftner ; being then their domestic Chapel ; and now if the said Cathedral be shut up, it's still adorned with his Presence. But if otherwise, he, the Sheriffs and Aldermen go to that, on all Sundays and publick Occasions ; before whom preaches some eminent Divine, at the Appointment of the Bishop of *London*, for which he's allowed forty, before forty five, Shillings. And then this Chapel is of no more Use at present.

St. Gregory by *St. Paul's Cathedral* ; *vide St. Mary Magdalen* in *Old-fish-street*.

St. Helen the Great, in *Bishopsgate-street* within the Gate. It was anciently a *Priory* of the *black Nuns*, founded by *William Basing* Dean of *St. Paul's*, and *William Basing* Sheriff of *London*, in the second Year of King *Edward II*, 1308, adjoining to that Parish-Church, and being surrendered in the thirtieth of King *Henry VIII*, the Partition between them was taken down, and the Church thereby enlarged, it escaped

the dreadful Fire in 1666. It was repaired and beautified in 1663, and again in 1699; when a little Tower was built up, which is about seventy Foot high, wherein are but two Bells. And now it's a very spacious, beautiful and stately Church, situate in the Middle of a fine *Area*, built most of Brick and Stone, with Battlements, and covered with Lead, supported with large Stone-Pillars, and beautified with many ancient and new Monuments and other Ornaments. It's the only Church that is dedicated to the Memory of *St. Helen*, or as it's over the south Door *St. Helena*, she was the Mother of *Constantine* the Great, the first Christian Emperor, Born at *Colchester*; and called *Great*, for Distinction from *St. Helen* the *Less* near thereto; both comprehend about one hundred and thirty Houses.

Here are Morning Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, at eleven a Clock, but none in the Evening.

And a Weekly Lecture upon every Tuesday, at four in the Evening from *Michaelmas* to *Lady-day*; maintained by the Gift of Sir *Martin Lumley*, who gave twenty Pounds *per Annum* for this, and five Pounds *per Annum* to the Poor for ever.

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The Chapel in *Hog-lane*, between *Monmouth-street* and *St. Giles*, in the Parish of *St. Martin in the Fields*. It's appointed for and within these several *Alms-Houses* belonging to that Parish, built all in a direct Quadrangle, and the *Greek-Church* (now the *French*) with a *Church-yard* for their Use, is in the very Middle of them. First without the Gate, facing the Street are these of the Foundation and Endowment of *Madam Grames*, in 1686, for four unmarried decayed Gentlewomen, who are allowed ten Pounds *per Annum* a piece, and ten Pounds more in common, for maintaining a Servant, Fire, and other Necessaries. Secondly, within the Gates are these twenty *Alms-Houses*, wherein are four poor Women in every House, all belonging to the said Parish; and on the south Side are ten, founded in 1683, by the Gifts of Mr. *Peter Griffith*, who gave two hundred Pounds; Mr. *George Giles*, one hundred Pounds, and other Charges by the Parish; and on the east End four built, in 1680, by the Gifts of several Persons not named, put into the Hands of Dr. *Thomas Tenison* then Vicar; and on the north

Side is one *Alms-House*, built by a *Justice of Peace* in the Parish, but not named, in 1684 ; other three were built by several of the Parish, but unnamed, in the Year 1685-6; and lastly two were built and endowed by the Honourable Sir *Charles Cotterel*, Kt. and Master of the Ceremonies to King *Charles II*, and King *James II*, in the Year 1685-6. For the Use of all these and the Indwellers thereof, this Chapel is appointed ; wherein are only Morning Prayers every Day at eleven a Clock, by Mr. *John Worden*.

The Chapel at the Horse-guards near White-hall. It's appointed for the Use of her Majesty's *Horse-guards* or *Lifeguards*, who were first ordained by King *Henry VII*, for a Guard of Defence for his own Body, about the Beginning of his Reign, in 1485 ; and ever since kept up by the Kings of *England* ; they keep Centry, and stay there commonly by the Royal Palace of *Whitehall*, and are detached by Companies in their Turns, to attend her Majesty's Person, at *St. James's*, or any other of the Royal Palaces. It's provided with Seats, Pulpit, Books, and other Necessaries for Divine Service, by her Majesty ; and Prayers and Sermon are every Sunday Morning, for, and be

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The Chapel in Hoxton Hospital near Hoxton square, which with other Buildings about make a pleasant little Town (as it were) near the End of *Shoreditch*, and within that Parish. It was founded in 1692, by the Gift of *Robert Aske, Alderman and Haberdasher of London*, who left thirty thousand Pounds for that Use; for the Relief of twenty poor Members of the *Company of Haberdashers*, and Education of as many poor Children. And now it's a spacious and delectable Edifice, built of Brick and Stone, adorned with a Piazza, which is supported with strong and fine Stone Pillars, with the Effigies of the Founder as big as the Life, placed in a Nich in the Front, with suitable Inscriptions, convenient Rooms, Walks, and other Necessaries; and for their Use this Chapel is appointed and kept in good Order; wherein are

Morning Prayers daily at eleven, and Evening Prayers at three, from *Michaelmas* to *Lady-day*, and at five from *Lady-day* to *Michaelmas*. Sermons and Prayers are every Sunday

Morning, and in the Afternoon only from *Lady-day* to *Michaelmas*, but from that to *Lady-day*, there are only Prayers.

Sacraments are administred every last Sunday of the Month, and some on other solemn Occasions.

Ministers. Mr. *Henry Vaughan* Forenoon Preacher, or Chaplain and Schoolmaster ; the Afternoon Preacher for the Summer Time, is chosen by the Company at their Pleasure.

St. James at Clarkenwell. It's situate upon *Clarkenwell-green* without the Walls, Liberty and Freedom of *London*, in the County of *Middlesex*. It was first founded by *Jordan Brisset*, in the Time of King *Stephen I*, who erected also the *Priory* of *St. John of Jerusalem* near thereto, he died *November 17, 1110* ; and was buried with his Wife *Muriel* in this *Chapter-House*. At first it was designed for the *Black-Nuns*, and soon after made a *Priory* of the same Order of the *Benedictins* ; formerly it was called *Ecclesia Beata Mariae de fonte Clericorum* ; and afterwards dedicated to *St. James the Apostle and Bishop of Jerusalem*, where he was Martyred in 62, and the seventy eight of his Age ; as other three are, on whose Day they have an Anniversary Sermon ;

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Here are Morning Prayers every Week Day and Holy Day, at eleven;

and Evening Prayers only on *Saturday*, at two a Clock ; as a Preparation for the Holy Sabbath.

Here is preached a Monthly Lecture on the last Sunday, at five in the Evening, which is maintained by a religious Society of the Parish, besides Charity Sermons on the second Sunday of every Quarter.

A Preparation Sermon for the Holy Sacrament, upon the last Friday of the Month, at eleven a Clock.

An annual Sermon on *Michaelmas-day*, at ten ; for which and other Things, Mr. *Pearson* left fifty Pounds *per Annum*.

Besides several Sermons extraordinary, on *January 30*, *November 5*, *Good Friday*, *Ash Wednesday*, *Lent*, and other solemn Occasions.

And on *St. Matthias's Day*, preached last Year by Mr. *Higgins*, Prebendary of *Christ's Church* in *Dublin*.

Ministers. Mr. *Duel Pead*, Minister ; and Mr. *Duel Pead Junior*, Lecturer, *Pro tempore*.

Ailesbury Chapel in *St. John's Close*, formerly *St. John of Jerusalem*, vide *A in principio*.

St. James's Thapel, or the *Royal Chapel* within the *Royal Palace* of *St. James's* ; near to the *Park* of the same Name, within the Liberties of *Westminster* ;

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minster; here stood formerly a very ancient *Hospital* of *St. James*, founded before the *Norman Conquest*, by the Citizens of *London*, for fourteen Leprous Sisters, or devout Maidens, then at a good Distance without the City, and Part of *St. Margaret's Parish* in *Westminster*. It continued 'till the twenty third of King *Henry VIII*, 1532; who then compounded with the Sisters, and gave them Pensions during their Lives, and thereon built up and finished a Royal Palace, or Mansion House, for himself, after the ancient Palace of *Westminster* had been destroyed by Fire, in 1512; which ever since has been a Royal Palace, and the most common Residence of the Kings of *England* while they are in the Town, and the only one since *White-Hall* was destroyed by Fire in the Year 1697. And this is the Royal Chapel for the Use of their Majesties, and their Household; and therefore it's called *Capella Dominica*, or the *Domain Chapel*, for her Majesty's publick Devotions; (besides her private Oratory) and exempt from the spiritual Jurisdiction of any Bishop, being under the immediate Government of her Majesty, who is supreme Ordinary thereof; because *Rex Anglia est Persona mixta cum Sacerdote*, our
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King is a *Priest*, as well as a King; and titled *Primogenitus Ecclesie*, from *Lucius* the first Christian King in the World. It is a most beautiful and eminent Chapel, becoming the Grandeur of her *Britannick* Majesty, and Royal Court to which it belongs, paved with black and white Marble, curiously painted in the Roof, well hung, decently pewed, and adorned with a stately Organ, a fine Throne or Gallery for her Majesty's own Person, under a Canopy, and other Ornaments, but more especially, with the Royal Presence of her Majesty when in Town, whom may God long preserve, to be an Ornament, not only thereto, but also to *Great Britain*.

Prayers are herein thrice every Day, if her Majesty be present, and the Choir be not removed to attend her at any other of her Royal Palaces, *viz.* Morning Prayers at eight and eleven; and Evening Prayers at five a Clock; but in her Majesty's Absence only twice, *viz.* at eleven and five.

Here also the Holy Sacrament is administred twice every Sunday, if her Majesty be present, *viz.* at eight and twelve, but if otherwise, only at twelve after Sermon.

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Ministers. The Clergy and others belonging to this Royal Chapel under her Majesty, the supreme Ordinary thereof, are these; first, the *Dean* of the Chapel, the *Sub-dean,* or *Precentor Capella,* the *Lord Almoner,* the *Sub-almoner,* three *Clarks* of the *Closet,* forty eight *Chaplains* in *Ordinary,* who wait upon her Majesty by four in the Month, by Turns; thirty two *Gentlemen* of the Chapel, who are divided into twelve *Priests,* whose Office is to perform Divine Service there; eight *Clarks* who joyn with them in Praying, and Singing; three *Organists,* one *Composer,* one *Organ-BUILDER,* one *Organ-Blower,* one *Master of Musick,* one *Master of the Children,* and four *Virgers,* viz. one *Serjeant,* two *Yeomen,* and one *Groom;* twelve *Children* of the Chapel for Singing, six *Chaplains* who Preach at *Whitehall,* and six here, and one *Yeoman,* and one

one *Groom* of the *Almonry*; which are in all about one hundred and thirteen; whose yearly Salary amount to about seven thousand Pounds Sterling.

St. James in Dukes-Place near **Aldgate**, within a Precinct by it self. It was built in the twentieth Year of the Reign of King *James I.* and by his License in 1622, which was procured for the Inhabitants, by the Intercession of the Archbishop, with the Contributions of Sir *Edward Barkham* Lord Mayor, *George Whitmore*, and *Nicolas Raynton*, Sheriffs of London, and others; and then called *Trinity-Christ's-Church*; and consecrated January 2, 1622; Sir *Peter Proby* being Lord Mayor, *John Hodges*, Esq; and Sir *Humphry Hanford* Kt. Sheriffs, but then dedicated to the Memory of the Holy Apostle *St. James*, or in thankful Acknowledgment of the King. It was erected out of the Ruins, and upon the Foundation of the old *Priory* of the *Holy Trinity*, which was first founded by *Maud*, or *Matilda*, Queen to King *Henry I.* in 1108, and eight of his Reign, at the Perswasion of *Archbishop Anselm*, and became the first Settlement of the *Black Canons Regular* of *St. Austine*, who came first into England about that same Time; and so it continued 'till it was suppress'd by King

King *Henry VIII*, and surrendered to him *July 23, 1531*; who gave it then to *Sir Thomas Audley Lord Chancellor*, whereof he built a Dwelling-House for himself, but died in *1544*; and then it came to *Thomas Duke of Norfolk*, who had married his Daughter *Margaret*; and from him it took the Name of *Dukes-Place*, or *Palace*, as *White-hall* was anciently called *York-Place*, because *Walter Gray Archbishop of York* bought it from the *Gray Fryars*, and there built a Palace for himself. It was at first built of Brick; and is now very much decayed, as also all the Dwelling-Houses about, but escaped the Violence of the late Fire; 'tis but a small Church, wherein are no Galleries, Organ, Monuments, or Ornaments considerable, and the Parish contains but one hundred and sixty Houses. It's said that *Henry Fitz Alwin*, first *Lord Mayor of London*, from the Year *1189*, to *1213*; was buried here.

Morning Prayers are only on *Wednesdays*, *Fridays*, and all *Holy Days*, at eleven. And no more;

And the Holy Sacrament is administered upon the second Sunday of the Month, at twelve; besides other Occasions.

Ministers:

Ministers. Mr. *John Grasty*, Minister ;
and Mr. *Paul Cannon*, Lecturer.

St. James at **Garlick-hithe**, or **Garlick-hive** in *Thames-street*. It's an ancient Church, and so called because it's situate on *Garlick-hill*, near to which was a Place or Market, where *Garlick* was landed or sold ; and was new built by *Richard Rothing*, Sheriff of *London*, in the twentieth of King *Edward II*, 1326, who was buried in it, and after him two Sheriffs, and six Lord Mayors. Afterwards it was repaired by the Parish, in 1624, destroyed in 1666, re-erected by Act of Parliament, the Foundation was laid in 1676, rebuilt and opened in 1682, and finished in 1683 ; all of Stone, covered with Lead ; there is a Tower and Steeple about ninety Foot high ; and now it's repairing again, with the Enlargement of a new Vault for Burying, on the west End, new paved, a new Organ-Gallery, and Organ, and two Stair-Cases are begun, but not yet compleated, and other things necessary ; by the publick Tax upon Coals. No other Parish was annexed to it, for it contains about one hundred and seventy Dwelling-Houses.

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Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven a Clock ; and none in the Evening.

Ministers. Mr. *Philip Stubbs*, Rector ; and Mr. *Walter Wells*, Lecturer.

St. James in *Jermyn-street*, fronting *St. James's-square*, within the *Liber-ties* of *Westminster*. It's one of the latest, and finest about *London* ; being by Act of Parliament taken out of the Parish of *St. Martin in the Fields*, in the first of King *James II*, 1685 ; and erected by the Charge of *Henry* Earl of *St. Alban's*, and the Inhabitants, which was above seven thousand Pounds. It's all of Brick, excepting the Quoin's, Doors, and Windows, which are of Stone ; in the Middle of a fine *Church-yard*, adorned with a fine Tower and Spire, one hundred forty nine Foot high, wherein is a large Clock-dial, looking four Ways, and only two Bells, because the Steeple cannot bear more : And within, the Roof (which is covered with Lead) is supported with twelve fine Columns, there are fine Galleries, Branches, some fine new Marble Monuments of Persons of Quality, a beautiful Altar-piece, and Font, and several other Ornaments, besides a Large and Honourable Congregation, consisting of about three thousand Dwelling-Houses, the finest about the City, and most of them

them Dwelling-Places of Persons of Note.

Here are Morning Prayers daily at six in the Summer, and seven in the Winter-Time, and again at eleven; and Evening Prayers at three, and at six, excepting Saturday Nights; on Sunday Morning at six in the Summer, and seven in the Winter; but at Night only at five: And Catechising is every Thursday at three, from *Michaelmas* to *Christmas*, from *Epiphany* to *Ash-Wednesday*, and from *Easter Week* to *Midsummer Day*, unless Thursday be a Festival Day.

Sacraments are administred every second Sunday of the Month, and every Sunday from *Palm-Sunday* to *Trinity Sunday*, and on *New Years Day*, at twelve a Clock only; and on *Christmas Day*, *Palm Sunday*, *Easter Day*, and *Whitsunday*, twice, viz. at seven, and twelve.

Lecture-Sermons extraordinary, are on *Christmas Day*, *New Years Day*, *January 30*, *March 8*, *Ash Wednesday*; and every Thursday from thence to the *Passion Week*, on *Good Friday*, *November 5*, and all such publick Solemnities appointed by the Government; and some other Occasions.

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Chapels within this Parish are these three ; that in *Barwick-street*, and *King-street*, and her Majesties *Royal Chapel* within the *Palace of St. James's*, which is rather extraparochial.

St. John the Baptist near *Dowgate*, vide *St. Anthony*.

St. John the Evangelist in *Friday-street*, vide *All Hallows* in *Bread-street*.

St. John of Jerusalem at *Hackney*, far without the City, but in the County of *Middlesex* ; Situate in the Middle of the Town, facing *Church-street*, and in a large and beautiful Church-yard, tho' both be too little for the Inhabitants of that populous Parish. It's an ancient and spacious Building, at present much decay'd, being long Time since it was rebuilt or repaired ; it's built of old Stone and Brick, with a fine square Tower about eighty Foot high, wherein is a Chime of very fine Bells, an Organ, several Galleries, and ancient Monuments of the Dead, both within it, and in the Church-yard. It was formerly dedicated to the Memory of *St. Augustine*, but now commonly to *St. John the Baptist*, and by some *St. John of Jerusalem* ; as belonging to that Order.

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Prayers are here constantly on all Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven a Clock ; but no more.

Lectures extraordinary are, a Preparation Sermon on the last Saturday of the Month, at three a Clock, for the Holy Sacrament approaching ; maintained by a Society of the Parish.

Two annual Sermons, the first on *Good Friday*, and *Ascension-day*, upon the Suffering of Christ ; maintained by the Gift of Dr. *Gimpson*, formerly Rector of the Parish.

Another on *Queen Elizabeth's Day* ; by the Gift of *George Clark*, Esq;

Another on the fifth of *November*, for the *Gun Powder Treason* ; by the Gift of Mrs. *Anne Wood*, of the Parish, all at Ten a Clock ; besides some others on Holy Days, publick Days, and other Occasions uncertain.

Ministers. Mr. *Peter Newcomb*, Rector ; and Mr. *John Strype*, Lecturer.

Only that Chapel in *King's land Hospital* is within this Parish.

St. John at Wapping, in *Wapping-street* near the *Thames*, and without the Liberty of the City, in the County of *Middlesex*. It was formerly a Chapel of Ease to *St. Mary White-Chapel*, but is now a beautiful Parish-Church, but of no great Antiquity, being built in 1617 ;
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by the Gifts of Mr. Rowland Coytmore, Mr. Robert Bourn, Mr. William Moat, Mr. Richard Sedgwick first Minister, and several other Inhabitants of Wapping Hamlet; and consecrated July 17, by John King, then Bishop of London; and called Wappen, or Wapping White Chapel, to distinguish it from Wapping-Stepney, a Hamlet adjoyning to it, but belonging to Stepney Parish. But this Precinct being large; for it's one third of the Parish of White-Chapel, and consists of about thirteen hundred Dwelling-Houses; an Act of Parliament passed in the fifth and sixth of William and Mary; ordaining it to be a distinct and proper Parish, and this a Parish-Church; by the Name of St. John of Wapping; these five are dedicated by the Name of St. John, but all with some specifick Difference; some to St. John the Baptist, our Saviour's Fore-runner; others to St. John the Beloved Disciple, and Apostle, and Evangelist, and the like; with their Place or Situation.

Here are Morning Prayers on all Days, at eight in the Summer-Time, and nine in the Winter; and Evening Prayers at five in the Summer, and three in the Winter-Time.

And a Monthly Lecture upon the last Sunday but one, or Penult Sunday; main-

maintained by the Gift of *Thomas Whitnal*, Esq; who left twelve Pounds ten Shillings for ever ; there is a Gathering for the Charity-School then.

Besides several Funeral Sermons, and other Occasions, but uncertain.

Ministers. Mr. *John Russel*, Rector ; and Mr. *John Clifton*, Lecturer.

St. John Zachary, vide *St. Anne Aldersgate*.

The Chapel in *33ington Alms-houses*, at the south End of the Town, near *New-River-Head* ; both were founded by the *Lady Owen*, who by her latter Will dated 1613, left three hundred sixty one Pounds for this, and fourteen hundred and fifteen Pounds for purchasing Ground there, and Building these *Alms-houses*, for ten poor Women of the Parish, who are allowed nineteen Sillings a Quarter, and four Shillings on *All Saints-day*, and two Shillings and six Pence in *May* yearly, for every one, besides six Pounds worth of Coals yearly among them, and a Cloth Gown in two Years ; this she was moved to upon the Account of her providential escaping Death, by an Arrow Shot at Random in these Fields, which pierced thro' her Hat by this Place ; in Memory whereof are several Arrows set upon the Corners and Top

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of the Houses ; these are under the Inspection of the *Brewers Company*, her Trustees for that Purpose. In the Chapel Prayers are every Week Day and Holy Day, at eleven and four, and Sunday at five ; by Mr. *George Thomson Chaplain*, and *School-master*. Her Body lies under a spacious Tomb of white Marble, in *Islington* Parish-Church, of the Date 1613. Both are built of Brick, inclosed with a fine brick Wall, facing the publick Road ; they are kept in good Condition, every House has a proper Garden, and other Conveniences.

St. Catharine Coleman, 'near *Northumberland-house* in *Fenchurch-street* within *Aldgate*. It's an ancient Church, built before King *Richard I*, and either founded or repaired in the Year, 1182, which Date is upon a Pew by the Chancel ; however it was repaired in 1610, enlarged in 1620, and 1624 ; it escaped the devouring Fire in 1666 ; and was lastly beautified and repaired in 1703. And now it's an old and-decayed Building, very low and dark, but beautified with a fine large Portraiture of King *Charles I*, and Queen *Elizabeth*, with suitable Inscriptions, some Monuments, and other Ornaments ; it contains about two hundred and forty Houses.

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These three following are dedicated to the Memory of *St. Catharine* a Holy Virgin of *Alexandria*, murdered under *Maxentius* the *Roman Emperor*, and therefore called the *Virgin* and *Martyr*; which is annually celebrated on *November 25*; and it's called *Coleman* for Distinction from the other two; from a certain Garden or Haw-yard, called *Coleman-Haw*, which stood near it in ancient Times.

Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, at eleven a Clock.

Ministers. *Mr. Thomas Harper*, Rector; and *Mr. Samuel Dod*, Lecturer.

St. Catharine Cree - Church, near the End of *Leaden-hall street*, and within *Aldgate*. It was begun to be new built in *June 23, 1628*, upon the Church-yard of the old dissolved *Priory* of the *Holy Trinity* within *Aldgate*; and finished in 1630; and being built of Free-Stone, it's yet a stately, large, and durable Edifice; a large Clock-dial was put up in 1662; it escaped the Violence of the Fire in 1666; and was repaired and beautified in 1686; the Steeple seventy five Foot, (wherein are five Bells) was built by the Gift of *Sir John Percival, Merchant Taylor*, and others, in 1504: It's covered with Lead,

Lead, supported with Stone Pillars, beautified with Painting upon the Glass Windows, fine Galleries, an Organ, several Monuments, and other Ornaments. At first it was called *Christ's Church*, afterwards *St. Catharine Christ's Church*, and for Shortness, *Cree-Church*, or *Creed-Church* by others : The Parish contains about three hundred and sixty Dwelling-Houses.

Morning Prayers are here only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at ten ; and Evening Prayers only on Saturdays, at three in the Winter, and four in the Summer ; as a Preparation to the Holy Sabbath.

The Holy Sacrament is administred on the first Sunday of the Month, at twelve ; for the Charge whereof Mrs. *Thomassin Omfield* left eleven Pounds *per Annum*, for ever.

And Likewise to keep up a preparation Sermon for it for ever ; on every last Saturday of the Month at five a Clock in the Evening. There is also

An annual Thanksgiving-Sermon on *October, 16*, at ten a Clock, in Commemoration of Sir. *John Gayer*, Kt. who gave two hundred Pounds for this, and Gifts to the Poor of the Parish to be distributed then ; in Memory of his

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Another on *November 5*, at ten;
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Another on *September 29*, at ten; in
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who left six Pounds ten Shillings per
Annum, for ever.

And a Lecture every Sunday Even-
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Besides, on all publick State Days,
and some other extraordinary Occa-
sions.

Ministers. Mr. *Charles Lambe*, Rector;
and Mr. *William Smith*, Lecturer.

St. Catharine by the *Tower*; it's
situate near the *Thames*, in the County
of *Middlesex*, in *St. Catharine's-court* by
the *Tower of London*; and therefore
called *St. Catharine the Virgin and Mar-
tyr* by the *Tower*. It's an ancient
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Herein Morning Prayers are daily at eleven a Clock.

Here is a Sermon on the first Sunday after Quarter Day, at five o'Clock in the Evening; which is maintained

tained by a religious Society there; and on Wednesdays, and Fridays, throughout Lent; and some other Occasions.

It's governed by a Master and three Brothers, with whom are also alimanted three Sisters, by the ancient Foundation above named; the *three Brothers* at present are, the Reverend Mr. *William Bissett*, Mr. *Robert Leigh*, and Mr. *Paul Cannon*: Every one of them attends a Month in Course, and Preaches twice every Sunday, thro' the Year; for which they are paid about fifty Pounds *per Annum*.

King Henry's Chapel, in the east End of *St. Peter's Abby* in *Westminster*. It's so called because it was built by King *Henry VII*, who laid the first Stone thereof with his own Hands, *January 24, 1502*, in Presence of *Abbot Islip*, *Sir Reginald Bray*, *Dr. Barns*, *Dr. Wall*, and many other Persons of Nobility and Distinction; upon the Foundation of an old Chapel of our *Lady*; built by King *Henry III*, about *1216*; and finished in *1519*, to be a Burial-Place for himself and his Posterity. And herein the Conjecture and Design was not frustrated; for it has been the Place of Sepulture for the Royal Founder, and a great many Kings

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Kings and Queens of *England*, and other Honourable Persons of the Royal Blood only, whose beautiful Statues, Monuments, Tombs, and other Memorials, do still beautify and adorn it beyond Expression, and to the Astonishment of all Beholders ; for it's a Piece of most admirable Workmanship both within and without ; it Excells all Others of that Nature in *Europe* ; and is deservedly called the *Wonder* of the *World*. Of late this *Royal Chapel* is the meeting Place of the Lower House of Convocation of the Clergy, of the Province of *Canterbury* : And used for a retiring Place for publick Prayers in the Morning, or Prayers and Sermon when the Abby is repairing or beautifying.

King's-land Chapel in *King's-land Hospital*, upon *King's-land Road*, in the Parish of *Hackney*, to which the Parish of *Islington* seems to have some Title ; for once a Year in their Processioning they enter into it, and demonstrate their Property thereto, by putting on the Surplice, Reading, &c. It's built of Brick, pleasantly situate, newly repaired this Year ; and provided with fine Wards, a Garden, a Chirurgeon, Nurse, and other Conveniencies. A fine Dial was set up in 1697 ; repaired

in 1704, with this Motto, *post voluptatem misericordia*. However it's an Appendix to the famous *Hospital* of St. *Bartholomew's* at *West Smithfield*, and a proper *Lazar-house* for the Cure of twenty four infirm Women; for whose Use is this Chapel; which is an ancient Building of old Stone, provided with a proper Partition for the Infirmary, and Seats, Pulpit and other Conveniencies for Others; a Communion Table was set up in 1679. Herein are Prayers and Sermon every Sunday Afternoon, and the Sick frequently visited by Mr. *Robert Hawkins* Minister thereof, for which he is allowed twelve Pounds *per Annum*, by the Governors of the said Hospital.

Kings-street Chapel, near the Middle and west Side of *Kings-street*, by *Golden-Square* in the Parish of St. *James* in *Westminster*. It's a Chapel of Ease but not parochial for that Parish, first erected all of Wood by Dr. *Tenison* and Others; for the Ease of the Inhabitants thereabout, then called St. *James's Tabernacle*, but rebuilt all of Brick, and enlarged by them, in 1702; and again repaired and beautified in 1713, and opened about *Michaelmas* last; and now it is a very spacious, and beautiful Chapel, wherein is an excellent

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excellent and extraordinary Organ, fine capacious Galleries on both Sides, a large Altar-piece and Chancel, paved with Marble, two large Branches, and other Ornaments.

Herein are Morning Prayers every Sunday and Week Day, at six a Clock in the Summer, and seven in the Winter, and again at eleven; and Evening Prayers at three, and again at Six, except Saturday Night, when they are only at three; being afterwards cleaning the Chapel.

The Holy Sacrament is administred on the last Sunday of the Month continually at twelve; besides other Solemnities.

Here are also Prayers and Sermon on *Christmas-day, January 30, November 5,* and all Holy Days, Solemn Fasts, and Thanksgivings, as in the Mother Church, but no Donation-Sermons as yet.

Ministers. Dr. *Richard West*, the Forenoon Preacher; and Mr. *Thomas Hayley* in the Afternoon.

Knight's-Bridge Chapel, in the Village of *Knight's-Bridge*, near *Hide-Park Corner*. It's now a fair and beautiful Chapel of Ease, within the Parish of *St. Martin in the Fields*; built for the Conveniency and by the Inhabitants of that Village, with the Licence of

Dr. William Land then *Bishop of London*, which was granted *July 7, 1629*, and Consent of the *Vicar and Church-wardens* of *St. Martin* aforesaid, upon certain Conditions of Acknowledgment of the *Parish-Church* ; upon the Foundation of an old decayed and ruined Chapel, which was then ready to fall ; belonging to an ancient forsaken Hospital there ; it was finished and consecrated five Years after the said Grant ; and still kept up in good Repair and decent Order: Wherein are

Prayers and Sermon every Sunday, both Forenoon and Afternoon, at the usual Hours ; and the Sacrament administered every first Sunday of the Month ; by *Mr. Robert Hicks*, Minister thereof.

Lambeth Chapel. It's the Domestic Chapel of the *Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate and Metropolitan* of all *England*, for the Time being ; and now of his Grace the Most Reverend Father in God *Thomas Tenison, D. D.* within *Lambeth-House* ; which was exchanged with the Bishop of *Rocheſter* ; by Archbishop *Baldwyn*, in 1183 ; after the Death of *Hardi-Canute* the *Danish King*, and ever since that Time it has belonged to the Archbishops of *Canterbury* ; and been their chief and only Residence,

Residence, since the Palace at *Canterbury* was demolished by the Rebels, in the Time of the late Civil War ; as this was by *Wat Tyler* and his Rebels, about the Year 1383 ; who also dragged *Simon Sudbury* then Archbishop from Prayers in his Chapel, and barbarously murdered him Afterwards. This being (as it were) the Standard of *Religion* and *Piety*, gives a good Example and Pattern thereof to all Others ; for notwithstanding of all worldly and publick Affairs both in Church and State, there are four constant Times of Prayer every Week Day, and Holy Day, in this Chapel ; as follows.

Morning Prayers are daily at seven a Clock in the Summer Time, and eight in the Winter, and at twelve ; and Evening Prayers at two and nine a Clock at Night continually.

The Holy Sacrament is administred on the first Sunday of the Month, besides other Occasions.

And Sermon on every Sunday in the Forenoon ; but because of the Vicinity of the Parish-Church, there is none in the Afternoon.

Ministers. *Dr. Edmund Gibson*, *Mr. Benjamin Ibbot*, and *Mr. Robert Clavering* his Lordship's Domestick Chaplains for the Time being.

Lamb's Chapel in *Hart-street* near *Cripplegate*, in the lower End of Great *Wood-street*. It's so called because it was granted by King *Henry VIII*, on *March 13*, the thirty fourth Year of his Reign, in 1542; to *William Lambe*, one of the Gentlemen of the King's Chapel, Citizen and Clothworker of *London*; who died in 1577, and left his Chapel to the Company of Clothworkers, and fifty Pounds per Annum for ever, to Pay a Minister, and maintain Divine Service in it. At first it was an Hermitage, and *William de Lion* was Hermite thereof; then a Parish-Church, called *St. James* on the *Wall*, because it's situate upon the *Wall* of *London* by *Cripplegate*; and built or repaired on *St. James's Day*, and consecrated to the Memory of that Apostle: But since the Donation to Esquire *Lambe* it's only a private Chapel belonging to the Company, and for the Ease of these about, since *St. Olaves* in *Silver-street* was burnt down in 1666.

For whom are Morning Prayers at eight a Clock on Wednesdays and Fridays, according to the Will of the Donor; but the Sacrament is never administred here.

And a Sermon four Times in the Year, before the Company, viz, on *St.*

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St. Stephen's Day, Lady day, Midsummer-day, and October 1, all at ten.

Ministers. *Mr. William Strongfellow*, Preacher to the Company; and *Mr. A. Andrew*, Reader.

St. Lawrence Jewry by *Guild-hall*. It was burnt in 1666; the Walls were built by the Parish all of Stone, and the finishing within by the Gift of *Sir John Langham*, Baronet, who gave two hundred and fifty Pounds, *Edward Lord Bishop of Norwich* fifty Pounds, and Others; and all finished in 1677; and repaired again in 1706: And now it's a very spacious and stately Parish-Church, covered without with Lead, above which is a fine Tower, Lanthorn and Spire, one hundred and thirty Foot high, wherein hang a Peal of eight fine Bells, within are a fine Organ, three Galleries, two Branches, a fine Altarpiece, Marble Font, several beautiful new Monuments, and other Ornaments; to which was annexed by Act of Parliament *St. Mary Magdalen*, which was burnt, but not rebuilt. These two are consecrated to the Memory of *St. Lawrence*, a *Spanish Martyr* and Arch-Deacon of the Church of *Rome*; he was burnt to Death on a Gridiron under the Emperor *Valerian*, August 10, 260, on which Day his Martyrdom is annually celebrated;

celebrated ; he was canonized by Pope *Sixtus II*, in 261, under whom he was Arch-Deacon.

Observe that this and other Churches are for Distinction, denominated *Jewry*, from some few Jews who dwelt thereabout in former Times ; but now having more considerable Admission into *England* and *London* by the late *Usurper* ; to whom large Proposals were made at *White-Hall* in 1656, by *Manasses Ben Israel*, a Jewish Merchant in Name of the rest, for Leave to trade and dwell in this Nation, than in former Days, when they were banished, taxed, and punished by King *Edward I*, and others, and a bare Permission since his Days ; they are exceedingly increased both in Number and Wealth, and have built a sumptuous *Synagogue* near *Duke's Place* by *Aldgate*, whither they do now all resort, and have their Habitations thereabout only, which Place may be properly called the *Jewry* of *London* at this Time ; both these Parishes make up in all two hundred and thirty five Dwelling-Houses.

Here are Morning Prayers every Day at six ; on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday, again at eleven ; and on Tuesday and Friday, at ten, because of the Lectures ; and Evening

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Here are Weekly Lectures every
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And a Charity Sermon every Sunday
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Ministers. Dr. *John Mapletost*, Vicar;
and Mr. *Thomas Morer*, Lecturer.

St. Laurence Pountney, *vide St.*
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St. Leonard East-cheap, *vide St.*
Bennet Grace-Church.

St. Leonard in Foster-lane, *vide*
Christ's Church in Newgate-street.

St. Leonard in Shoreditch, which
others call *Holy Well-street*, from the
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mon *Shore* or *Ditch* which ran there; but rather from some renowned Families of the Name of *Shoredich* Lords thereof, and probably because it was repaired, or founded, by Sir *John Shoreditch*, in the Time of King *Edward III.* about the Year 1300. It hath several Galleries, and Four Isles, and yet it's not sufficient for a populous Parish, wherein are about two thousand Dwelling Houses; the Walls are built of Brick and rough Stone, and covered with Tite, above which is erected a four square Tower seventy Foot high, wherein are five Bells; it was repaired and beautified in the Year 1675, and at last in 1704; and being situate upon very low Ground, it's dark; but it's beautified with painting upon the Windows, and several ancient and new Monuments of Persons of Quality and good Note. Only these three are dedicated to the Memory of *St. Leonard*, born in *France* in 500, Bishop of *Limoges*, he died in 570, and his Festival is annually observed on *November 6*; it's an Impropriation, in the Gift of the Archdeacon of *London*; at present *Dr. William Stanley*.

Prayers are here only on Wednesdays, Fridays, Holy Days, and State Days, at eleven a Clock.

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Four Sermons upon these four Holy Days, viz. *St. John Baptist*, *St. Michael*, *St. Stephen*, and Purification of the Virgin, by the Gift of Mrs. *Joan Smales* for ever, who gave also forty Pounds *per Annum*.

One in *Lent* by the Gift of Mr. *Simon Burton*, Citizen and Merchant-Taylor, for ever.

Two Sermons at *Easter*, by Mrs. *Heath*, who left sixty Pounds for this and other pious Uses.

Besides three at *Christmas*, and one every Quarter Day; maintained by the Gifts of several Benefactors to the Parish.

And lastly on *January 30*, *May 29*, *November 5*, and other State Days; all in the Forenoon.

Ministers. Dr. *Giles Pooley*, Vicar; and Mr. *Luke Milbourn*, Lecturer.

Chapel, is the Chapel in *Hoxdon Hospital*, *vide supra*.

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Lincoln's-Inn Chapel, in the great Court by the Gate of *Lincoln's-Inn*, on the west Side of *Chancery-lane*, which was formerly the Dwelling-Place of the Earl of *Lincoln*; and this his Domestick Chapel, from whom both retain the Name. *Henry Lacy* Earl of *Lincoln* built or purchased it, about the Year 1300, and soon after brought Lawyers into it about 1310, who have hitherto possessed it by Lease and Purchase. After many Alterations in three hundred Years Time, this ancient Chapel was built by the Students, who gave two thousand Pounds for that End, finished and consecrated in 1626. It's a strong and well built Structure, all of Free-stone, and elevated upon strong Stone-Pillars, under which are open Walks, several honourable Persons of the Society lie buried underneath, wherein are many fine Inscriptions, and Coats of Arms, and within it's very beautiful, large, and neat. But above all the Ornaments which are here, or in any Church or Chapel about *London*, is remarkable the most curious Painting upon the Glass Windows of both Sides; first, the Patriarchs and Prophets on the north Side; and the twelve Apostles on the three Windows on the south Side; second, *Abraham* and *Isaac*, given by *Christopher*

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Brook, and *Thomas Saunderson*, Overseers of the building of this Chapel, in 1626; third, *Moses* with the two Tables, given by *Roland Wandesford* of *York*, Esq; in 1626; fourth, *St. John Baptist*, given by *William Neye*, Esq; in 1626; fifth *St. Paul*, made and given by *John Took*, Esq; in 1626; sixth, *Jeremias*, given by *Radulph Crew*, Serjeant, in 1624; seventh, *Ezekiel*, by *Thomas Harrys*, Serjeant at Law; eighth, *Amos*, by *Thomas Richardson*, Serjeant, in 1622; ninth, *Zacharias*, by *John Darcie*, Serjeant; tenth, *King David*, by *James Ley*, Baronet and Serjeant; eleventh, the Prophet *Daniel*, by *Humphride Winch*, Knight; twelfth, *Eli*, by *John Denham*, Knight; thirteenth, *Esaia*, by *William Jones*, Knight; fourteenth, *St. Peter*, by *Henry Earl of Southampton*, fifteenth, *St. Andrew*, by *William Earl of Pembroke*; sixteenth, *St. James the Great*, by *John Earl of Bridgewater*; seventeenth, *St. John*, by *John Earl of Carlisle*; eighteenth, *St. Philip*, by *George Baronet of Abergavenny*; nineteenth, *St. Bartholomew*, by *Henry Baronet of Abergavenny*; twentieth, *St. Matthew*, by *Thomas Fane*, Knight; twenty one, *St. Thomas*, by *Francis Fane*, one of the Society; twenty two, *St. James the Less*, by *Robert Spencer*; twenty

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Ministers. Dr. *John Lupton*, Minister ; and Mr. *Adam Brown*, Lecturer, and Curate.

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it has not been much used of a long Time.

The Chapel in London Work-house, in *Half-moon-alley* in *Bishopsgate-street*. It was erected by Act of Parliament, in the fourteenth of King *Charles II*; for employing and relieving poor idle People, Vagrants, and sturdy Beggars in *London*; and was by Act of Common Council in *December 8, 1698*, and the large Contributions of divers charitable Gentlemen finished for that Purpose; wherein also are educated, and entertained, at Bed and Board, and put out Apprentices at last, about five hundred poor Children, for whom especially, and for others, this private Chapel is appointed, wherein are.

Prayers every Week Day and Sunday, at six a Clock in the Morning; and Evening Prayers at six; and Catechising every Sunday Evening, by the Minister, *Mr. Barret*, who is allowed twenty Pounds *per Annum*; but they go to *St. Helen's Church* twice every Sunday, except in bad Weather, when there is Sermon in the Chapel.

The Chapel in Ludgate Prison, which was made a free Prison in 1379, and confirmed in 1384, at *Guild-hall*, by *Sir Nicolas Bremer*, Lord Mayor; repaired in 1586, and enlarged by *Steph*

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St. Magnus by *London bridge*. It was repaired in 1623, being then very Old, at the Charge of five hundred Pounds; and finished and beautified in 1629; destroyed in 1666; rebuilt by Act of Parliament in 1676; the Steeple was erected about eighty Foot high: (wherein are three Bells, and more in the Church not yet hung) And the whole new beautified again, in the Years 1705, and 1706. It's all built of Stone, covered with Lead, and supported with ten fine Stone Pillars; adorned without with a curious large Clock and Dial, set up by Sir *Charles Duncomb*, Alderman, in 1700, at the Charge

Charge of four hundred and eighty four Pounds five Shillings and four Pence; the Figures of the Tutelars, *St. Magnus, St. Margaret, Hercules, Atlas, &c.* within with a stately new *Organ and Gallery*, erected in 1711, by the Gifts of many bountiful Benefactors; a very fine *Altar-piece, large Chancel*, paved with Marble, four curious Branches, some *new Monuments, &c.* And enlarged with the Addition of the old Parish of *St. Margaret* in new *Fish-street*, the old Church not being raised out of the Ruines in 1666. On the Foundation whereof is erected a Pillar, or Monument of solid Portland Stone, two hundred and two Foot high, in Memory of that unparallell'd Conflagration, which began in *Pudding-lane* behind this Church, appointed by King *Charles II.*, projected by Sir *Christopher Wren*, and carved by Mr. *Sibbert* the ingenious Statuary; it was begun in 1671, and finished in 1677; and yet both make up scarce two hundred Dwelling-Houses.

It's dedicated to the Memory of *St. Magnus*, or *Magnes*, the Martyr; who suffered under the Emperor *Aurelian*, in 276; or as others would have it, to that famous Apostle or Bishop of the *Orcades*, whose Name and Deeds are in

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Here are Morning Prayers every Week Day at eleven; and Evening Prayers at eight; but on Sunday at seven a Clock; the latter are maintained by a religious Society.

And a preparation Sermon upon the Thursday immediately before the first Sunday of the Month, at three a Clock; and other three annual Sermons, viz. on *November 5*, on *Christmas Day*, and *New-years Day*; maintained by a Society, and the Gifts of the *Lady Teend*, and *Lady Philips*, who gave one hundred Pounds a Piete for pious Uses, and some Others.

And an annual Thanksgiving Sermon on *February 13*; by the Gift of *Mrs. Susan Chambers*, because of the ceasing of the late Fire of *London-Bridge*, at her Dwelling-House.

Ministers. *Dr. James Williams*, Rector; *Mr. Joseph Dunstan*, *Mr. Stephen Heath*, *Mr. Edward Skirret*, and *Mr. John Price*; all four joynt Lecturers.

St. Margaret in *Loth-bury*, situate upon the Water Course of *Walbrook*, near to the *Royal Exchange*. It's an ancient Church, and being very old, it was new built in 1440; repaired in 1621; burnt in 1666; it was begun to

to be rebuilt in 1686 ; and finished in 1690 ; and beautified in 1706. It's all of fine Stone, covered with Lead, over which is raised a fine Tower and Steeple one hundred and forty Foot high ; and beautified within with a very fine *Altarpiece* and *Font*, divers proper Sentences of Holy Scripture, three fine Branches, and other Ornaments ; it was built for a Parish Church of it self, no other being annexed to it, for the Parish consists of two hundred Dwelling-Houses.

These five following are dedicated to the Memory of *St. Margaret* the *Virgin* and *Martyr* ; a Holy Woman who was born, lived, died, and was buried in the City of *Antioch* in *Syria* ; she was beheaded under the Emperor *Decius*, about 292 ; and her Festival is observed yearly on *July 20*.

Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, at eleven a Clock.

Ministers. - *Dr. John Hancock*, Rector, and *Mr. Samuel Hilliard*, Lecturer.

St. Margaret Holes in *Friday-street*, vide, *St. Mildred* in *Bread-street*.

St. Margaret in *New Fish-street*, vide *St. Magnus* by *London-Bridge*.

St. Margaret Pattens or *Pattens*, in *Rood-lane*. It's so called because *Pattens* used to be made and sold here.

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here, and *Rood-lane*, because of a *Rood*, or *Crucifix*, which stood in the Church-yard, within a Tabernacle while the new Church was building, both which were broken down in the Night Time, by some Opposers of these Romish Superstitions, *May 23, 1538*, and twenty ninth of King *Henry VIII*, and ever since discontinued. It was built in that Year; repaired in 1614; beautified in 1632; burnt in 1666; rebuilt of Stone and Brick by Act of Parliament, and finished in 1687: And now it's a beautiful and stately Church, adorned with a spacious Tower and Spire, one hundred and ninety nine Foot high, a fine Gallery, Altar-piece, some fine Marble Monuments, and other Ornaments.

To this is annexed *St. Gabriel* in *Fenchurch-street* near adjoyning, which was called also *St. Mary Fenchurch*, 'till the Year 1517; when it was rebuilt, and dedicated to *Gabriel* the Holy Arch-Angel, and to *All Saints*, which is now the common Appellation, and for Distinction *Fenchurch*, because it stood in that Street, which was formerly a *fenny*, or *moorish* Plat of Ground, but it was finally consumed in 1666, and annexed to this, and both make up but about one hundred and sixty Dwelling-Houses in all.

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Lectures. One annual Sermon on *January 1*, by the Gift of *Mrs. Joan Collyer*, who left two Pounds for this, and five for Coals, for ever.

Likewise on some publick Days, and other solemn Occasions.

Ministers. *Dr. Francis Brown*, Rector; and *Mr. Thomas Cook*, Lecturer.

St. Margaret, at the lower End of *Kings-street*, and very near to the *Abby of Westminster*. It's the only Church within the ancient *City of Westminster*; the other six are in the Liberties; and was first built on the Place where it now stands by *King Edward the Confessor*, in 1050, for the Ease of the *Monks*, because it stood before in the south Isle of the old *Abby*; and so it continued 'till the Days of *King Edward I*, when it was built all new, as it stands now, by the Merchants of the *Staple*, and *Parishioners* thereof, about the Year 1300; but the *Abbot's* of *Westminster* built the *Chancel*; and two hundred Years afterwards it was rebuilt by *Dame Mary Byling*, Wife of *Sir Thomas Byling*, in the Time of *King Edward IV*; she died *March 14*, 1499, and is buried here under a fine old Tomb; it was repair-

ed in 1651 ; and again in 1682 ; and the south Gallery was built by Sir *John Cutler*, and given to the benefit of the Poor, in 1682 ; and the north Gallery by the Parish, in 1641. It's a pleasant stately and large Church, but too little for a very populous City, consisting of nine Wards, wherein are three thousand and thirty nine fine Dwelling-Houses. It's built all of Stone as the Tower is, which is eighty five Foot high, wherein are six large Bells ; both were repaired of fine Portland Stone, in 1712 ; and within it's beautified with a large and fine Organ-Gallery, and Organ, two large Galleries, a large Chancel, fine Altar-piece, two large Branches, and strong Stone Pillars which support the Roof on both Sides, and the Monuments and Tombs of several ancient and famous Persons, and enriched with the royal Gift of King *Charles II.*, who gave fifty Pounds for ever ; *John* Bishop of *Lincoln*, a Plat of Ground for forty Years ; *Robert* Earl of *Salisbury* one hundred Pounds ; *William* Lord *Paget* two hundred Pounds ; *Dutchess* of *Somerset* two thousand seven hundred Pounds ; *Mr. Maurice Pickering* two hundred Pounds ; *Sir Thomas Hayes* Alderman of *London*, one hundred Pounds ; besides a great many more large Donations.

tions. On *Easter-Day*, 1555; *William Flower* a Priest, wounded another with a Knife, as he was administering the Sacrament; for which his right Hand was cut off, *April 14*, and for some Errors he was burnt in the Church-yard soon after. This stately Edifice stands in a pleasant Church-yard, faces the Street, very near to the famous *Abby of Westminster*, which together appear eminently over all the City.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, and all publick State Days at ten; and Evening Prayers at six in the Summer, and seven in the Winter, both Week Days and Sundays.

Lectures. An annual Sermon preached on *All Saints Day*, at ten, in Commemoration of Mrs. *Joan Barnet*; she left twenty Shillings for this, and forty Pounds *per Annum* to be divided quarterly among twenty poor Widows of the Parish, twenty Shillings to be spent by the Trustees, and ten Shillings to the Clark on that Day, she died *May 6*, 1674, and lies under a fine white Marble Monument in this Church.

And several Occasional Sermons on all publick State Days; and before the Right Honourable the House of Commons, on *November 5*, *January 30*, or other

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other Times, during the Session of Parliament; wherein is appointed a proper Seat for the *Speaker*, and the north Gallery for the other Members. These Sermons are preached by some eminent Divines, chosen by the House.

Ministers. Dr. *Nicolas Only*, Minister; and Mr. *Robert Dobyns*, Curate, and Lecturer.

Chapels are these nine, that in *Duke-street*, near *Stories-gate*; the new Chapel in the Fields; and that in *Queen's-square*; with these private and free Chapels, in Lady *Anne Dacres's Alms-houses*, called *Emanuel Hospital*, founded by her Will, December 17, 1601; in the *Gray-coat Hospital*, founded by Letters Patents, in 1706; in Mr. *Emery Hills Alms-houses* in *Tuttle-fields*, founded by his latter Will, in 1677; in Mr. *James Palmer's Alms-houses*, founded in 1656; and that in *Sir George Withers's*, founded in 1683; besides the new Church now building upon the *Mill Bank* by the *Horse-ferry*: See those that are used in their own Places.

The Chapel of the *Marshalsea*, on the east Side of the Borough of *Southmark*, near *London Bridge*. It's appointed for the Use and Edification of many Hundreds of poor Prisoners, within this large and much frequented Prison of the

Marshalsea, which is so called, because it belongs to the *Earl Marshal* of England, (which comes from the French Word *Mareschal*, signifying a *Smith*, *Farrier*, or *Military Officer*) who sits Judge upon Treasons, Piracy, Felonies, Debts, and other Crimes, committed within the Verge of the King's Court or Palace, for which they are incarcerated here, and for whom this private Chapel is appointed, provided with Seats, and other Conveniences; wherein are Prayers in the Evening, on Wednesdays, and Saturdays; at three a Clock, and Sermon and Prayers every Sunday Morning at ten, by Mr. *James Rawlings*, Minister; for the maintaining whereof, the present *Bishop of Winchester* allows forty Pounds per Annum, &c.

St. Martin in the *Fields*, in *St. Martin's-lane* near *Charing-Cross*, and therefore called *St. Martin Juxta Charing-Cross*; and one of the six belonging to the *Liberties of Westminster*, and in the County of *Middlesex*. It was very small 'till the Year 1607, when the *Chancel* was added, and the whole repaired, beautified, and finished, in 1609, at the Charge of King *James I.* Prince *Henry*, and the Parish. It was beautified again in 1688, and at last in 1701; but is now very much decayed and

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and dark. It's built of Stone and Brick, and covered with Tiles, and the Tower all of Stone, about ninety Foot high, wherein are eight Bells newly Cast, and hung up this Month of *March* 1714; 'tis beautified within with a fine Organ, many fine Monuments of several Persons of Quality and good Note, and with several fine capacious Galleries; but it's not sufficient to contain the vast Number of Inhabitants of this populous Parish, wherein are above three thousand seven hundred and eighty Dwelling-Houses, which are still increasing, and yet it was formerly larger than now, because these three distinct and large Parishes were by Acts of Parliament taken out of it, viz. *St. Anne*, *St. James*, and *St. Paul Covent-Garden*; yet it's still the most populous Parish within the Bills of Mortality, excepting *Stepney*. And tho' it was anciently called *Fields*, it has of late had such Additions of divers most beautiful Buildings, as are sufficient to make a fine large City. These six Parish-Churches are dedicated to the Memory of *St. Martin Bishop and Confessor*; he flourished in the third Century, was Bishop of *Tours* in *France*, where he died, in 399, or 404, and of his Age eighty one; his Festival was instituted by Pope *Martin I*, upon *November 11*;

which is annually celebrated by that Church. And this being very much decayed, and inconvenient, is to be rebuilt in a little Time.

Here Morning Prayers are daily at six, from *Lady-day* to *Michaelmas*; and seven from thence to *Lady-day* again; and on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and State Days, at ten; and Evening Prayers every Night at five, but on Holy Days and Saturdays, at three; Morning Prayers at six, are maintained by the Gift of Dr. Willis, an eminent Physician of the Parish, and the rest by the Parish.

The Holy Sacrament is administred every first Sunday of the Month; on *Christmas-day*, *Easter-day*, and *Whitsunday*, twice, viz. at six in the Summer, and seven in the Winter, and again at twelve; but on every Sunday of the Month except the first, on *New-years-day*, *Good Friday*, and *Ascension-day*, only at twelve; which are not only for the Parish, but also for the qualifying of Officers to enter upon Places of publick Trust.

Here is preached a Charity Sermon every third Sunday of the Month, at five; which is maintained by Contributions, for the Relief of the poor Children of the Parish.

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And on all publick Solemnities, and some other Occasions, at ten a Clock.

Ministers. *Dr. William Lancaster*, Vicar; *Dr. Edmund Gibson*, and *Mr. George Hudson*, joint Lecturers; *Mr. Robert Grisedale* Minister, Assistant to the Vicar.

Here are more *Chapels of Ease* than in any other Parish within my Compass, viz. that of the *Horse-Guards*, *Knights-Bridge*, *Oxenden Chapel*, *Russel-court Chapel*, that in *Spring-Garden*, and *Trinity Chapel* in the Fields, at the upper End of *Dean-street*, and the private Chapel in *Hog-lane Alms-houses*, besides the *Royal Chapels* at *St. James*, and at *White-Hall*.

St. Martin in *Iron-monger-lane*, vide *St. Olave Jewry*.

St. Martin Lud-gate. It's so called for Distinction because it's situate on the north Side of *Ludgate-street*, and joyning to that famous and ancient west Gate built by King *Lud*, as is commonly believed, about sixty-six Years before Christ's Incarnation, from whom the Gate, Church, and Street, are still denominated. It was probably founded by King *Cadwallo*, Father to the Great *Cadwallader*; he was a valiant *British* King, died *November 20, 677*; whose Body was buried in this Church, and his Image of Brass was afterwards placed upon the Gate for a terror to the

Saxons. And after a long Date of Time, it was built and enlarged in 1437, when Sir *John Michael*, Lord Mayor, granted Mr. *Down Rector* a Piece of Ground twenty eight Foot in Length, and twenty four in Breadth, to build a Steeple on. It was repaired and beautified in 1623; burnt in 1666; rebuilt by Act of Parliament, and finished in 1684, all of Stone, the Steeple is about one hundred and sixty eight Foot high; and within it's supported with strong Stone Pillars, and beautified with a fine Altar-piece, a small Organ, but no Monuments; no other Parish was annexed to it, because the old Parish was sufficient, containing one hundred and seventy nine fine Dwelling-Houses.

Here are Morning Prayers every Week Day, and Holy Day, at eleven; and Evening Prayers at six, both Sundays and Week Days; these on Sundays have been only for two Years, by the only free Gift and Service of the obliging Reader, Mr. *William Hammond*, now the oldest about *London*.

Also three annual Sermons, first, on the tenth or fourteenth of *August*, at the Discretion of the Rector, on the Defeat of the *invincible Armado*, in 1588; second, *November 5*, on the Gun-powder Treason; third, on *November 17*,

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a Thanksgiving upon *Queen Elizabeth's* Accession to the Crown, at five a Clock at Night, after which is a publick Supper; but the other two are at ten; and all maintained by the Gift of *Henry Sivedell, Esq;* of the Parish.

And also on *January 30, March 8, May 29, September 2*; and all other publick State Days that are appointed by the Government.

Ministers. *Mr. William Whitfeld, Rector*; and *Mr. James King, Lecturer*.

St. Martin Ogars in *Cannon-street, vide St. Clements East-Cheap.*

St. Martin Outwich or *Oteswich*, at the upper End of *Thread-needle-street* near the *Royal Exchange*, and facing *Bishopsgate-street*. It's so called, from *Martin de Otewich, Nicolas de Otewich, William and John Otewich*, who were joynt Founders hereof, and buried herein; and probably it was built about the Year 1300; the Vestry was repaired and beautified in 1659; it was not burnt in 1666; it was at first built of Stone and Brick, supported with several Arches and Stone Pillars, above it is raised a small Tower sixty five Foot high, wherein are four small Bells. It's beautified with Painting upon the Glass Windows, a Picture of *Queen Elizabeth*, several Coats of Arms, and ancient

ancient Monuments, some as old as since the Year 1400, 1500, 1514, and the like. It's one of the least Parishes, consisting of about sixty three Dwelling-Houses.

Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, at eleven a Clock.

And Lectures extraordinary on January 30, September 2, November 5, and all such publick Solemnities.

Ministers. Mr. *Nicolas Zinzan*, Rector; and Dr. *Thomas Horn*, Lecturer.

St. Martin Aintrey near College-hill; vide *St. Michael Royal*.

St. Mary Abchurch on the west Side of *Abchurch-lane*, near *Lombard-street*. It's an Ancient Church, older than the Time of King *Richard II*; for *Simon de Winchcomb*, Sheriff of *London*, in 1383, founded a Chauntry in it, in the nineteenth of his Reign; neither can I find the Reason of the Denomination; perhaps it may be from *A, B, C*, (as some call it) which the *Romans* scatter in the four Corners of the Church at the Consecration of it, others call it *Ape-Church*, and *Up-Church*, because it stands upon rising Ground. It was repaired in 1611; burnt in 1666; rebuilt all of Stone and Brick, and covered with Lead, and finished in 1686; the

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Here are Morning Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, at eleven a Clock; and in the Saturday

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Saturday Evening only at four; as a Preparation to the Holy Sabbath.

Ministers. Dr. *Thomas Whincop*, Rector; and Dr. *Lilly Butler*, Lecturer.

St. Mary Aldermanbury near *Simon College*, in the Middle of *Aldermanbury*; which is so called from a *Bury* or *Court* of *Aldermen* held thereabout, till the building of *Guild-Hall*, which was begun to be erected in 1411, by Sir *Thomas Knolls*; and in ancient Writings, *Ecclesia S. Mariae Aldermannesbire*. It was repaired, enlarged, and the Tower and Bells erected, by Sir *William Estfield*, Lord Mayor, in 1437; new built by the Parish in 1633; consumed in 1666; and rebuilt and finished in 1677, all of Stone, covered with Lead, it's supported with twelve strong and fine Pillars; and above all is raised a Steeple ninety Foot high; it's a stately and spacious Church, beautified with a fine *Altar-piece*; the Communion Table is paved with black and white Marble, as most are; and enclosed with Rails and Banisters; a fine Branch, and several beautiful new Monuments; but no other is annexed to it, because the Parish contains about two hundred Houses.

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And a preparation Sermon for the approaching Sacrament ; which is preached on the last Wednesday of the Month, at four in the Evening ; paid by *Emanuel College in Cambridge.*

Ministers. *Dr. Lilly Butler*, Minister ; and *Mr. Nathanael Marshal*, Lecturer.

St. Mary Aldermary in *Bow-lane*, near *St. Antholin's*. It's a very ancient Foundation, as appears by the Name, erected before the *Norman Conquest*, in which Time *St. Mary le Bow* was built and so called, therefore it has been called *Alder-Mary*, or *Older-Mary*, i. e. the oldest Church of *St. Mary* in the City. It was new built in 1510, by *Sir Henry Keeble*, Lord Mayor, who gave one thousand Pounds to finish it, and a Steeple ; repaired and beautified by the Parishioners, in 1632 ; and burnt down in 1666 ; but re-erected at the Charge of *Henry Rogers, Esq;* who gave five thousand Pounds, in 1681 ; and finished all of Stone in 1682 ; but the Steeple one hundred and thirty five Foot high, was built by the publick Tax upon Coals, in 1701 ; and the whole was beautified by the Parish, paved, and a new Vault built, in 1705. And now it's a spacious, beautiful, and curious Structure, covered with Lead, supported with fine Stone Pillars, beautified

tified with the Arms of the Archbishop of *Canterbury*; carved Arches and Branches, the Arms of *Sir Charles Blount*, Lord *Mountjoy*, and the Arms of *Henry Rogers*, Founder, of whose Charity there is an Account upon the west Door, in Letters of Gold; a fine *Altar-piece*, and *Communion Table*, were given by Dame *Jane Smith*, Relict of *Sir John Smith*, Alderman, in 1669; and several fine new Marble Monuments, as in Remembrance of *Sir John Smith*, who died June 17, 1673, *Sir Robert Hanson*, Lord Mayor, and his Family, and several other Persons of Note, who were Benefactors to the Parish; besides several Lord Mayors, Sheriffs, and Others, that were buried here in former Times, but destroyed by the late Fire. The old Parish-Church of *St. Thomas the Apostle*, founded by *John Barnes*, Lord Mayor, in 1370, and some Others, being destroyed also, but not rebuilt, both Parishes were united by Act of Parliament, and consist of above three hundred Dwelling-Houses.

Prayers are here only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, and publick State Days, at eleven a Clock.

And an annual Sermon on *Candlemas-day* for ever, at six a Clock in the Evening, for, and before the Company of Cooks.

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And Charity Sermons every second, and fourth Sunday in the Month, at five in the Evening.

Besides Sermons extraordinary on all publick Solemnities, and other Occasions.

Ministers. *Dr. White Kennet*, Dean of *Peterborough*, Rector ; and *Mr. Burton*, Lecturer.

St. Mary Bothaw at *Dowgate* ; vide *St. Swithin* by *London-Stone*.

St. Mary le Bow in *Cheapside*, commonly called *Bow-Church* ; or at the first Erection, *New-Mary-Church*, to difference it from *Aldermary* above ; and *St. Mary de Arcubus*, or *le Bow*, because it was the first that was built upon *Arches* or *Bows* of Stone, in the Time of *William the Conqueror* ; for 'till the Year 680, or 700 ; the ancient *Saxons* were perfectly ignorant of Building with Stone, and because of the Singularity thereof it was so called, from the Stone Arches, as that Stone Bridge at *Stratford*, built by Queen *Maud* Wife to King *Henry I*, about the Year 1100, (which is the first of Stone in *England*) was called *Stratford Bow*, from the *Bows* of Stone ; and that highest Ecclesiastical

fiastical Court was called the *Court of the Arches*, because it was kept some Time in this *Arched Church*; some Years after it was finished, upon *St. Luke's Day*, in 1090, and third of King *William Rufus*, a most violent Tempest threw down the Steeple, and six hundred and six Houses thereabout, and slew some People, whereby four or six of the Rafter's of twenty Foot long, were violently pitched into the Ground about sixteen Foot deep, in Rank and Order as they were bound, which were sawn off equal to the Ground, because they could not be plucked up again; for the Streets were not begun to be paved 'till about 1186, and were not all so, 'till the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, about four hundred Years after that: And in the Year 1271, the Steeple fell down again, and slew several Persons. It was soon after rebuilt, and in the Year 1469, the Common Council ordered that *Bow Bell* should be rung every Night at nine a Clock; to maintain which Mr. *John Denne*, Mercer, left two Houses by his Will, in 1472, which continued to be observed constantly for a long Time: *Robert Harding*, Gold Smith, and Sheriff, gave forty Pounds to build the Steeple, in 1478; and it was finished in 1512.

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Colonel *Charles Bainton*, in 1712, and some few more; these of ancient and remarkable Persons were destroyed in the Fire. In this gorgeous and splendid Condition, it's augmented with the former distinct Parishes of *All Hallow's* in *Hony-lane*, and *St. Pancras* in *Soaper-lane*, because their respective Churches were not raised out of their Ashes, wherein they were buried by the devouring Fire; these are the two least Parishes in *London*; the first consists only of twenty, and the second of thirty eight, and all three, of one hundred sixty two Houses.

Morning Prayers are daily at eight a Clock; and Evening Prayers at five constantly.

Sacrament is administred every Holy Day at eight, immediately after Morning Prayers, on the first Sunday of the Month at twelve; besides the solemn Occasions.

Here are preached several publick and extraordinary-Lecture Sermons, as first, eight Lectures against Atheism, &c. on the first Monday of *January*, *February*, *March*, *April*, *May*, *September*, *October*, and *November*, all at ten a Clock; maintained and appointed by the latter Will and Settlement of the incomparable Esquire *Robert Boyle*, F. R. S. and

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and therefore called *Boyl's Lectures*, and preached here this Year by Mr. Benjamin Ibbot, Rector of St. Vedast in Foster-lane ; for which there is fifty Pounds per Annum, allowed to the Preacher.

An annual Sermon before the Society for Reformation of Manners, on the first Monday after *Christmas*, at eleven a Clock, which was preached and published last Year by Dr. John Waugh, Rector of St. Peter Cornhill.

And another for, and before the Society, for the Propagation of the Gospel in forreign Parts ; on the third Friday of February, at eleven annually, preached last by Dr. George Stanhope, Dean of Canterbury, and published ; formerly there were two for each of those Societies.

An annual Sermon on November 5, at five in the Evening, for, and before the Company of Clothworkers.

A Thanksgiving Sermon on October 22, at ten ; for Deliverance from the Irish Massacre and Rebellion, in 1641, appointed by Act of Parliament of that Nation, for, and before several Gentlemen thereof ; preached and published last Year by Mr. John Ramsay.

A Thanksgiving Sermon for All Hallow's Hony-lane, September 29, at ten ;
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Colonel *Charles Bainton*, in 1712, and some few more; these of ancient and remarkable Persons were destroyed in the Fire. In this gorgeous and splendid Condition, it's augmented with the former distinct Parishes of *All Hallow's* in *Hony-lane*, and *St. Pancras* in *Soaper-lane*, because their respective Churches were not raised out of their Ashes, wherein they were buried by the devouring Fire; these are the two least Parishes in *London*; the first consists only of twenty, and the second of thirty eight, and all three, of one hundred sixty two Houses.

Morning Prayers are daily at eight a Clock; and Evening Prayers at five constantly.

Sacrament is administred every Holy Day at eight, immediately after Morning Prayers, on the first Sunday of the Month at twelve; besides the solemn Occasions.

Here are preached several publick and extraordinary Lecture Sermons, as first, eight Lectures against Atheism, &c. on the first Monday of *January*, *February*, *March*, *April*, *May*, *September*, *October*, and *November*, all at ten a Clock; maintained and appointed by the latter Will and Settlement of the incomparable Esquire *Robert Boyle*, F. R. S. and

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and therefore called *Boyl's Lectures*, and preached here this Year by Mr. Benjamin Ibbot, Rector of St. Vedast in Foster-lane ; for which there is fifty Pounds per Annum, allowed to the Preacher.

An annual Sermon before the Society for Reformation of Manners, on the first Monday after *Christmas*, at eleven a Clock, which was preached and published last Year by Dr. John Waugh, Rector of St. Peter Cornhill.

And another for, and before the Society, for the Propagation of the Gospel in forreign Parts ; on the third Friday of *February*, at eleven annually, preached last by Dr. George Stanhope, Dean of Canterbury, and published ; formerly there were two for each of those Societies.

An annual Sermon on *November 5*, at five in the Evening, for, and before the Company of Clothworkers.

A Thanksgiving Sermon on *October 22*, at ten ; for Deliverance from the *Irish Massacre and Rebellion*, in 1641, appointed by Act of Parliament of that Nation, for, and before several Gentlemen thereof ; preached and published last Year by Mr. John Ramsay.

A Thanksgiving Sermon for *All Hallow's Hony-lane*, *September 29*, at ten ; for

for the Defeat of the *Spanish Armado*, 1588.

An annual Gift Sermon on *St. James's Day*, at ten ; for the Parish of *St. Pancras Soaper-lane*.

A Monthly Charity Sermon every third Sunday, at five in the Evening ; maintain'd by a religious Society for the Use of the Charity Children.

Another Preparation Sermon for the approaching Sacrament, on the Thursday immediately before the first Sunday of the Month, at five a Clock in the Evening ; kept up by a Society of the Parish.

A Charity Sermon on *Christmas-day*, at three a Clock ; which was preached by *Dr. White Kennet*, for the last Year.

Likewise several other Charity Sermons, and Quarterly Sermons for that Purpose.

And divers other extraordinary and occasional Sermons, but fewer of that Kind are preached here, since the great Cathedral of *St. Paul* was finished ; where most of these on solemn Occasions are now generally preached.

Ministers. *Dr. Samuel Bradford*, Rector ; and *Mr. William Stonestreet*, Lecturer.

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Parish; both whereof consist of about two hundred and twenty Houses.

Here Morning Prayers are on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, at eleven; and on Saturdays, and Holy Days, at three a Clock in the Evening.

Lectures are, a Weekly Lecture every Thursday through the Year, at ten; pay'd by the Clothworkers Company, for ever.

Four annual Gift Sermons, maintained by the Turners Company, for ever: viz. one on *Processioning-day*; one on *St. Bartholomew's-day*, which is the Day of their Election; one on *September 5*, upon the Account of the Fire of *London*; and on *September 29*, upon the Defeat of the invincible *Armado*, in 1588: All in the Forenoon.

And also a Sermon on *January 30*, *November 5*, and some other publick Solemnities.

Ministers. Dr. *Andrew Snape*, Rector; and Mr. *Jenkes*, Lecturer.

St. Mary at Islington by New-River-Head, in the County of *Middlesex*. It's situate in a fine large Church-yard, built of Brick and Stone, and appears to be an old Edifice; it's a large Church, the Tower is seventy four Foot high, wherein are six fine Bells; a new Gallery was built, in 1663; the

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Morning Prayers are here only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven; and on Holy Days, and Saturdays, at three in the Afternoon; as a Preparation for the Sabbath.

Lectures are only an annual Gift Sermon on St. Thomas's Day, at eleven a Clock.

Ministers. Mr. *Cornelius Yeates*, Vicar; and Mr. *John Hairman*, Lecturer.

Chapels are, Part of *King's-land Chapel* in the *Hospital*, and that in *Lady Owen's Alms-houses*; *vide suis locis*.

St. Mary at *Lambeth*, or *Lamb-hive*, or as others say, *Lome-hith*; being a dirty Haven, famous for the Death of *Canutus II*, a great *Danish* King, and King of *England*, who died there at a *Danish* Wedding, in 1042. It's near the *Thames*, and joyning to the Archbishop's Palace, and a very ancient Church. *Baldwine* Archbishop begun a Collegiate Church of Canons Regular, which *Hubert Walter* his Successor finished,

shed, and died *July 13, 1205*; but probably there had been a Church prior to that; the present appears to be very Old; the north Gallery was given by *Mr. Roger Jeston*, in 1615; which was re-erected by the Parish, in 1705; when the whole was repaired and beautified, as it was again, in the Year 1704; the south Gallery was built, in 1699. It's built of Brick and Stone, covered with Lead, supported with Stone Pillars, paved with Stone, enlarged with three Isles, that on the north Side is called *Howard's Chapel*, and on the south, *Leigh's*, because some of the Duke of *Norfolk's* Family, and Sir *John Leigh* of *Stockwell* and his Lady, were buried in them; and several large Galleries, because of the great Congregation; being the largest Parish about *London*, sixteen Miles and a half in Circumference, wherein are about one thousand three hundred and sixty Houses; but there is no Chapel of Ease in it. It's situate in a fine Church-yard, and adorned with stately Tombs, and Monuments of Bishop *Thirteby*, in 1570; *Bancroft* Archbishop, in 1610; *Anthony Burleigh*, Lieutenant General to King *Charles I*; murder'd at *Winchester* for endeavouring to release his Majesty from *Carisbrook Castle*, February 17, 1681.

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John Arundel of *Gwarnick*, *May 26*, 1613; *Robert Scot* a great Traveller, in 1631; and several others; over the Pulpit is painted in Glass the Effigy of *Mr. Walker* a Pedlar, who gave to the Archbishop one hundred Pounds; to the Rector twenty; to Clark and Sexton ten; to the Parish six; with an Acre of Land, &c. and other beautifying Ornaments.

Morning Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and publick Days, half an Hour after ten, and every Day through *Lent* at eleven a Clock; and Evening Prayers only on Saturday at three, as a Preparation for the Sabbath.

Sacrament is administred on *Ash-Wednesday*, *Good Friday*, and other Solemnities; besides the first Sunday of the Month.

Lectures are only one, on the first Wednesday after Quarter Day, at ten; which is paid by the Company of Merchants.

Likewise on *January 30*, *November 5*, and such publick Solemnities.

Ministers. *Dr. Edmund Gibson*, Rector; *Mr. Francis Jeffrys*, and *Mr. John Pierce* joynt Curates and Lecturers.

St. Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, situate at the upper End of *Bar-naby-*

naby-street, in the County of *Surry*, and Diocess of *Winchester*, joyning to the old Abby of *Bermondsey* (*Bermondi Insula*) or *Bermonds Isle*, which was denominated from *Bermund* an *Abbot* thereof, and founded by *Ailewin Child*, Citizen of *London*, in 1081; rebuilt and endowed by *William Rufus*, in 1094; the Mannor of *Bermondsey* was given to this *Priory* by him, *Charlton* by the Bishop of *Lincoln*; *St. George's Church*, in 1122; the Land of *Halisbury*, *Coleman*, &c. in 1165; and was valued to four hundred seventy four Pounds fourteen Shillings, *per Annum*; and surrender'd, in 1539, and the thirty first of King *Henry VIII*; then *Sir Thomas Pope* pull'd down the old *Abby Church*, upon which many Houses were built. It's of an ancient Foundation, built by the *Priors* of *Bermondsey*, before the Year 1399; for then *Attelborough* the *Prior*, was made first *Abbot*. It was enlarged with a south Isle, in 1610; the Turret was built, in 1619; and was at last rebuilt, in 1680, of Brick and Stone: And now it's a stately, spacious Church, beautified with a fine Organ, three Branches, a Tower eighty seven Foot high, wherein are five small Bells, some new Monuments and two large Galleries. The Parish is very populous, wherein are fifteen hundred

hundred Dwelling-Houses. It's the first of these three which are dedicated to *St. Mary Magdalen*, Sister to *Lazarus Redivivus*, and *Martha*, from the *Castle Magdala*, two Miles from *Nazareth*, where she lived ; but she died at *Ephesus*, about the Year sixty ; her Festival is celebrated *July 21*.

Prayers are here every Day of the Week, at eleven a Clock in the Forenoon only.

Sacraments (besides the first Sunday of the Month at twelve,) are also celebrated twice on all Holy Days that fall on the first Sunday of the Month, and on *Christmas-day*, *Easter-day*, *Whitsunday*, &c. at seven and twelve.

Lectures are, a Monthly Lecture on the last Sunday, at five ; maintained by a religious Society of the Parish.

An annual Sermon on the fifth of *November*, upon the Gun-powder Plot ; and also,

One on *November 18*, in Commemoration of *Mr. John Wright*, Merchant Taylor, being the Anniversary of his Death, in 1675 ; both maintained by his Gift, and preached at ten.

Another on *November 25*, at ten ; in Commemoration of *Mr. Thomas Chibbald*, and appointed by the latter Will of *Mrs. Jane Trapps*, for ever.

And another on the Day of December, at ten; the Anniversary appointed by the Will of Mrs. Surry, for ever.

Ministers. Mr. *Stephen Heath*, Rector; and Dr. *Henry Lambe*, Lecturer.

St. Mary Magdalen in *Milk-street*, vide *St. Laurence Jewry*.

St. Mary Magdalen in old *Fish-street*, near *St. Nicolas Cole-abbey*. It's an ancient Church, and was repaired, in 1630; burnt, in 1666; rebuilt by the publick all of Stone, and finished, in 1685. It's covered with Lead, paved with Stone, enlarged with three Isles, and two fine Galleries, and some other Ornaments. To which is united *St. Gregory* by *St. Paul's*, which was first built upon the Ruines of *Lollard's Tower*, commonly called the *Bishop's Prison*, because thither they committed *Hereticks*, *Schismaticks*, and Others, who opposed or transgressed the Ecclesiastical Canons. It belonged to the Canons of *St. Paul*, and being small, and destroyed by the Flames, in 1666, it was not re-erected, but encompassed with a Brick-wall for a Burial-place, in 1674; and now both make up a convenient Parish, of about four hundred Dwelling-Houses; to which this is a decent Church.

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Ministers. Dr. *Joseph Rawson*, Rector ; and Mr. *Nicolas Zinzan*, Lecturer.

St. Mary Mounthaw near *Broken Wharf*, vide *St. Mary Sommerfet*.

St. Mary at *Newington Butts*, in the Diocess of *Winchester* and County of *Surry* ; and thereby distinguished from *Newington Stockney* in *Middlesex*, because *Butts* or *Shooting Marks* were here formerly, whereat the *Londoners* exercised themselves. It's an ancient Church and an old Building, now decay'd ; the north Isle was built in 1600, by Sir *Hugh Brawn*, Kt. of the Parish ; and the whole repaired, beautified, and pewed, in 1705. It's but a small Church, built of Brick, situate within a pleasant Church-yard, and west End of a large Parish, wherein are six hundred and twenty Dwelling-Houses. And

Morning Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Holy Days, and publick State Days, at eleven a Clock.

Ministers. Dr. *William Taswell*, Rector ; and Mr. *Jeremiah Nicolson*, Lecturer.

Chapels, are only the private Chapels of *Drapers Alms-Houses*, and in the *Lock-Hospital*.

St. Mary at *Rother-hith*, or *Hive*, and commonly *Redriff*, i. e. *Red Rose Haven*; in the Diocess of *Winchester*, and County of *Surry*; and so near the River of *Thames*, that the Tide came into it on a Saturday, in the Year 1705, which so sunk the Floor, that it was new levelled and paved soon afterwards. It's certainly of an ancient Foundation, although we have no Account of it. In the Year 1687, it was repaired by the Parish, at the Charge of one thousand two hundred Pounds; and being all of Brick and Boulder, it's now very much decayed, low, dark, and too little for the increasing Parish, wherein are about one hundred and sixty Dwelling-Houses. Although the old Steeple, be but sixty two Foot high, (wherein are six Bells) one may have a larger Prospect upon it, than upon any other about, Seeing at once all the *Thames*, and Places adjacent, from *Chelsea Town* to *Gravesend*. It's now beginning to be rebuilt. Here are many ancient and remarkable Tombs, and Monuments, of the Dead. I cannot omit an Enigmatical Epigram, upon the Tomb-Stone of *Anne Blake*, Widow of Captain *John Blake*, October 21, 1681, which

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Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and on Saturday before the Sacrament, at eleven a Clock.

Sacrament is administred on the second Sunday of the Month, besides other solemn Occasions.

Lectures are, a preparation Sermon for the Sacrament every Thursday before the second Sunday of the Month, at ten ; maintained by the Gift of Mr. *Hocket*, in 1644, which is ten Pounds *per Annum* : And some other Occasions.

Ministers. Mr. *Edward Love*, Rector; and Mr. *John Pearson*, Lecturer.

St. Mary le Savoy, or *St. Mary* in the *Savoy*, or *St. Mary Strand*. It's so called from *Queen Mary*, or an old Chapel there ; but at first it was *St. John* in the *Strand*: It's upon the Bank of the River *Thames*, and within the *Precinct* of the *Savoy* ; which was called so from *Peter*, Earl of *Savoy*, and *Richmond*, Uncle to *Queen Helenor*, the

Wife of King *Henry III*, who built here a Dwelling-House for himself, in 1244; and afterwards gave it to the Fraternity of *Mountjoy*, from whom she the said Queen purchased it for her Son *Edmund*, Duke of *Lancaster*; and afterwards *Henry* Duke of *Lancaster* spent fifty two thousand Marks in repairing, and furnishing of it. But *Wat Tyler* burnt it, and all the rich and costly Furniture and Provision that was in it, in 1380, out of Malice to the Duke. Then it came to King *Henry VII*, who in the Year 1505, and twenty second of his Reign, founded and finished here an Hospital of *St. John Baptist*, for the Relief of poor Pilgrims and Strangers; but it being corrupted by Beggars, Vagabonds, and lazy Strumpets; King *Edward VI*, in 1552, June 10, and the seventh or last Year of his Reign, gave the Lands annexed thereto, to the Value of six hundred Pounds *per Annum*, with all the Bedding and other Utensils, to the City of *London*, for the Use and Support of the Hospital of *Bridewell*, then founded by him. Queen *Mary* November 3, and fourth of her Reign, reduced it to the former Constitution; which was soon after annulled by Queen *Elizabeth*. And ever since, this vast old Building has been mostly wast and desolate,

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Here are Morning Prayers every Day at seven, in the Summer; and eight in the Winter; on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and publick Days, at ten; and Evening Prayers every Night at five, except Saturdays; when they are constantly at three a Clock.

Sacrament is administred every first Sunday of the Month, at seven and twelve;

twelve; besides other solemn Occasions.

Here is a preparation Sermon before the Sacrament, on the last Sunday of the Month, at six a Clock in the Evening; maintained by a Society of the Veltry, who provide a Preacher in their several Turns. And on some solemn Occasions.

Ministers. Dr. *Samuel Prat*, Minister; Mr. *Richard Sing*, Lecturer, and Curate.

Chapels: There being a great many old large Buildings within this ancient Royal Palace, there are divers private Meeting-Houses set up, by the *French, Dutch, High Germans, Quakers*, and other Nations, and Professions; but there are no Chapels of Ease, there being but about thirty Dwelling-Houses within the Precinct.

St. Mary Sommerset at *Broken Wharf*, in *Thames-street*; it's so named because it's near to *Somer's Hithe*, and is called so from *Somers* the owner of the Ground thereabouts. It's probably an ancient Church, was repaired, in 1624; destroyed in 1666; rebuilt all of Stone, in good and stately Fashion; and finished, *February 16, 1695*; the Tower is one hundred and twenty Foot, it's beautified with several Ornaments; and enlarged with the Addition of *St. Mary*

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Prayers are only on Holy Days, and publick State Days, at eleven a Clock.

Ministers. *Mr. Henry Baron*, Rector ; and *Mr. James Ferguson*, Lecturer.

St. Mary Staining, vide *St. Michael* in great *Wood-street*.

St. Mary White-Chapel, in the County of *Middlesex*. It's of a very ancient Foundation, called of old, *St. Mary Matfellow*, and the Parish, *villa Beata Maria de Matfellow*, from some Person of that Name, or a Malefactor, that was punished there by a Mob, as it's reported ; and also *White-Chapel* ; as being upon some Account formerly, a Chapel of Ease to *Stepney*, and the *Whiteness* of the Wall, or some Person of that Name, who perhaps founded it, *quasi White's Chapel*. It's made Mention of

of in the Year 1336; when the Minister of *Stepney* was Patron of it, and ever since, and perhaps before that, it has been his Gift; though it be now a stately proper Parish-Church, for a large and populous Parish; wherein are about one thousand nine hundred Dwelling-Houses. It was enlarged with the Addition of the south Isle, in 1591; repaired, in 1633, by the Parish; at the Charge of three hundred and ninety Pounds; and rebuilt, in 1673, by the large Gifts of *William Meggs, Esq;* of the Parish, who died May 28, 1678, and was buried beside his Wife, under a fine white Marble Monument, on the south Side of the Altar, and some others; the two Galleries were repaired, in 1684. And now the whole is again repaired and beautified; a new Gallery and Organ are set up, the Communion-table, the Altar-piece, and other Ornaments, are now set up in good Fashion. And now it's a beautiful, and pleasant Parish-Church.

Here are Morning Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, and publick Days, at eleven a Clock; and in the Evening only on Saturdays, at three a Clock, for the approaching Sabbath.

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Sunday of the Month, (but the first is the most General) on all Holy Days, on Monday and Tuesday in *Easter Week*, on *Easter-Day*, *Whitsunday*, *Good Friday*, *Christmas-Day*, and *Ash-Wednesday*, after Morning Prayers, at eleven, or after Prayers and Sermon, at twelve a Clock.

Ministers. Mr. *John Wright*, Rector; Dr. *Richard Welton*, Vicar; and Mr. *Henry Shute*, Lecturer.

St. Mary Woolnoth, in the south Side of *Lombard-street* near *Stock's-market*. It's of an ancient Foundation, for this and *Wool Church* adjoyning, are denominated from a Staple of *Wool*, or *Beam*, placed in *Wool Church Haw*, or *Yard*, on which *Wool* was weighed; it's mentioned in the Time of King *Edward II*, under this Title, in French, *le Customes de Wool Church Haw*; which is at least three hundred and eighty Years ago. This Practice continued 'till the sixth of King *Richard II*; when *John Churchman*, Sheriff, in 1385, built the *Custom-House* on *Wool-key*. And Sir *Hugh Brice*, Lord Mayor, in 1485, built a Chapel here, and also Part of the old Church and Steeple; it was rebuilt again, in 1620; and much damnified, in 1666; it was again repaired, and finished, in 1677; what was rebuilt, is of

of Free Stone, but is now dark, and much decayed ; there is an Organ, fine Communion-table paved with Marble, and much beautified with two stately Tombs on the south Side ; of Sir *Thomas Vyner*, Clerk of the Patents, by Sir *Rober Vyner*, his Son and Executor, in 1672 ; and of Sir *Thomas Vyner*, Alderman, Knight, and Baronet, in 1665 ; on the north Side of the Altar, of *Thomas Vyner*, second Son of Sir *Thomas Vyner*, Knight, and Baronet ; erected also at the Charge of Sir *Robert* his Executor, in 1673 ; both in full Proportion cumbent, of white Marble, upon Pedestals of Black, with suitable Inscriptions. On the Outside to *Lombard-street* is a large Clock-Dial, set up in 1683. To which is annexed the ancient Parish of *St. Mary Wool Church*, which was consumed in the late Fire, but not rebuilt ; only the old Foundation and Church-yard, have enlarged *Stock's-market* ; whereon was erected a very magnificent Statue of King *Charles* the second, on Horse-back, trampling on an Enemy, all in white Marble ; erected upon a lofty and large Pedestal, eighteen Foot high ; at the sole Charge of Sir *Robert Vyner*, Knight, and Baronet, Lord Mayor of *London*, in 1674 ; whose stately Monument was erected in

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in *Wool Church* also at the same Place, in 1672; by Sir *Thomas Vyner*. And now both Parishes make up one, of about one hundred fifty three Dwelling-Houses.

Prayers are here every Day of the Week, at eleven; and Evening Prayers at five a Clock; maintained by the Contributions of the Parishioners.

And a preparation Sermon for the approaching Sacrament, on the last Friday of the Month, at six in the Evening; maintained likewise by the voluntary Gifts of the Parish.

Ministers. Mr. *Samuel Angier*, Rector; and Dr. *Thomas Whincop*, Lecturer.

St. Mary Wool Church, vide *supra* in *St. Mary Woolnoth*.

St. Matthew Friday-street, on the south Side of *Cheap-side* near *St. Austin's*. It's an ancient Church, for Mr. *Thomas Pole*, Goldsmith, was buried here, in 1395; that is three hundred and nineteen Years ago; and has been perhaps as long before that. It was repaired, in 1633; burnt down, in 1666; rebuilt of Brick and Stone, finished and opened November 29, 1685. It's enclosed about with Houses, and very small; but covered with Lead, paved with Stone; beautified, repaired, and opened again in December last, 1713; and

and is now a very decent Church, beautified and enriched with these Donations, the *Altar-piece*, *Table*, and *Rails*, paved with *Marble*, were given by *James Smith*, Esq; the Front of the *Gallery* and *Queen's Arms*, by Mr. *Edward Clark*, and Mr. *Thomas Sanford*; two fine *Branches* and *Irons*, by Captain *John Shipton*, and Mr. *Miles Martin*; it was pewed at the Charges of both Parishes, and built at the publick Charge. It's the only Church within this Compafs, that is dedicated to the Honour of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist *St. Matthew*, the Son of *Alphaus*, a Publican; he preached the Gospel in *Ethiopia*, and was murder'd there with a *Halbert*, wherewith he's commonly painted, which Day is annually celebrated on *September 21*; and called so, because it stands on the west Side of *Friday-street*, wherein dwelt several *Fish-mongers*, who served or attended at the *Friday-market*, kept there on that Day of the Week. And lastly it's augmented with the old Parish-Church of *St. Peter Cheap*, at the upper End or south west Corner of great *Wood street* in *Cheapside*; being old and decayed, it was built by Sir *John Shaw*, Lord Mayor, in 1501; who deceased in 1503; and finished and repaired by *Thomas Wood*, Sheriff, in 1491;

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In this united Parish-Church Morning Prayers are only on Wednesdays, and Fridays, and all Holy Days, and publick Days, at ten a Clock.

Sacraments are administred twice upon the first Sunday of the Month, at six after Morning Prayers and Sermon; and again at twelve; on *Ash-Wednesday*, *Good Friday*, and all other Holy Days in the Year, after Morning Prayers, at ten a Clock.

Lectures are, a preparation Sermon, before, and at the Sacrament, then also administred, on the first Sunday of the Month, at six a Clock in the Morning; which are maintained by a religious Society, and preached by Mr. *Richard Short*.

A Weekly Lecture every Sunday Night at five, preached by Mr. *George Bell*, Mr. *William Burscough*, Mr. *James King*, and Mr. *John Rogers*, joynt Lecturers;

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cturers ; and maintain'd by the Society of *Farringdon* within.

Upon every Wednesday through the Year at ten ; preached by Mr. *John Coggan*.

Another upon every Friday at ten, preached by Mr. *John Cullen* ; and both maintain'd by Collections and Subscriptions of private Hands ; and if either of these be Holy Day, the Holy Sacrament is also administred after Sermon.

And annual Sermons, on *Ash-Wednesday*, *Good Friday*, *January 30*, *March 8*, *September 2*, *November 5*, and most Holy Days, and publick State Days.

Ministers. Dr. *Francis Thomson*, Rector, and Mr. *Thomas Haywood*, Lecturer.

The Chapel in Mercer's-Hall, within that magnificent and beautiful Hall, near the *Poultry*, on the south Side of *Cheapside*, belonging to the Honourable Company of *Mercer's*, which is the first of all the twelve Companies ; was incorporated into a Society, in 1393 ; in the seventeenth of King *Richard II.* It's very rich and numerous ; several Kings, Princes, and Noblemen, and ninety eight Lord Mayors of *London*, have been Members thereof ; and the Chapel is extraordinary beautiful, adorned with a neat Altar-piece, fret
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St. Michael Basinghall, (commonly called *Bassishaw*) near *Aldermanbury*; because it's situate on the west Side of *Basinghall-street*, and in *Bassishaw-court* and *Ward*; which were so called from a very considerable Family of the *Basing's*, whose *Hall* or *Mansion-house* was here, about 1214, where *Blackwell-hall* is now. It's a very ancient Church, being rebuilt in 1450, when the former had been decayed through Age; and before that Mr. *Richard Sarich* was Rector, in the Year 1359; repaired again, in 1630; burnt down, in 1666; and by Act of Parliament begun to be rebuilt,

rebuilt, in 1676 ; and finished in 1679 ; it was repaired and beautified, in 1679 ; and again, in 1697. The Wall is of Brick, and the Tower of Stone, seventy five Foot high ; and 'tis now a stately and beautiful Church, but no other was annexed to it ; it's own Parish containing about one hundred and fifty Dwelling-Houses ; besides *Blackwell-Hall*, and *Guild-Hall*, and the *Coopers*, *Girdlers*, *Masons*, and *Weavers-Halls*. This and six following are dedicated to the Memory of the Holy *Arch-Angel*, *St. Michael* ; he was Captain of those Blessed Angels, whose Victory over the Devil and his Angels is annually commemorated on *September 29* ; called *St. Michael and All Angels*, and *Michaelmas*.

Here are Morning Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven a Clock ; and Evening Prayers every Night, at five a Clock.

And a Weekly Lecture every Wednesday, at five in the Evening ; from *Michaelmas* to *Lady-day*.

Likewise on *Good Friday*, *Ash-Wednesday*, *September 2*, *March 8*, *January 30* ; and several other publick Solemnities ; maintain'd by the Gift of divers Benefactors ; at eleven.

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Ministers. Dr. *Richard Roderick*, Rector; and Mr. *Samuel Baker*, Lecturer.

St. Michael Cornhill, in *St. Michael's-alley* and fourth Side of *Cornhill*, and near *St. Peter's* there. It's an ancient Church; for *Alnothus* the Priest gave it to the *Abbot of Covesham*; who gave it to one *Sparling*, about the Year 1133. It was repaired, in 1620; and again, in 1633; demolished, in 1666; rebuilt of Stone by Act of Parliament, at the Charge of the Publick, and Gifts of Sir *John Langham*, Kt. Sir *Andrew Riccard*, *James Clithow*, and Others; the first gave five hundred Pounds; the second one hundred; and the third fifty Pounds: And finished, in 1672. It's cover'd with Lead, and erected a proper Parish-Church, as before, no other being annexed thereto; for the Parish consists of one hundred and twenty two Dwelling-Houses. It was repaired

paired again and beautified, in 1701. And now it's a fine stately Church, beautified with a large Chancel, fine Altar-piece, and Communion Table, pav'd with Marble, a very stately Organ and Gallery, and some ancient Monuments. It's reported that *William Rouse* gave a Bell, (besides other Gifts) which made ten in all, to be rung at eight a Clock at Night, and for Peals, which was rung by one Person for one hundred and sixty Years together: And that the Rent and Scratches upon the Stones of the Steeple, (which was not consumed in the late Fire) caused by a Tempest of Thunder and Lightning, and a terrible Apparition, on *St. James's Day* at Night; which confounded and struck down all the Ringers, are yet to be seen here; but these Bells were all melted in the Fire; and now there's but one in the old Steeple; which is about one hundred and thirty Foot high, and supported upon strong Stone Arches.

Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, and publick Days, at eleven a Clock.

Lectures on Sunday Morning at six a Clock; which is paid by the *Draper's Company*.

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Mr. *Philip Gunter* by Will, dated *January 14, 1582*, (who was buried here) ordered two Sermons to be preached here for ever ; the first, on *March 25*, the second, on *December 25* ; but no certain Time of the Day is appointed, but they are at eleven a Clock ; six Shillings and eight Pence to the Preacher for every one, and something to the Clerk.

Mr. *William Bailey* by Will, dated *July 21, 1603*, ordered a Sermon to be preach'd yearly for ever, on the first Sunday after *Low-Sundays*; but no Time is appointed by him.

Mr. *John Partridge* by Will, dated *May 23, 1621*, left ten Shillings for an annual Sermon to be preached by the Minister of the Parish, on *All Saints Day*, after Evening Prayers, between five and six, being his Birth-day, who is to have a Month's notice of it.

Mr. *Laurence Caldwell* by Will, dated *February 12, 1424*, appointed three Sermons to be preached ; the first on *Easter day*; the second on *Whitsunday*; and the third on *Christmas-day*, by the Parson of the Parish, after Evening Prayers ; for every one six Shillings and eight Pence to him.

Mr. *Godfrey Rayner* by Will, dated September 20, 1626, appointed a Sermon to be preach'd on *Good Friday* in the Forenoon; and twenty Shillings to be paid to the Preacher.

A Charity Sermon every second Sunday, at six a Clock in the Evening; which is kept up by a religious Society of the Parish.

Charity Sermons, and others, upon some other Occasions.

Ministers. Mr. *Samuel Baker*, Rector; and Mr. *William Savage*, Lecturer.

St. Michael Crooked-lane. It's situate on the east Side of *St. Michael's-lane*, and in *Crooked-lane*, near *Cannon-street*; it's made mention of in the Year 1317, and was some Time before that, enlarged with a new Choir and side Chapel, by Sir *William Walworth*, Lord Mayor, in 1374, who kill'd *Wat Tyler* in *Smith-field*; and afterwards he founded here a College, of a Master and nine Priests; and was buried here, in 1385. It was repaired, in 1621; and burnt down, in 1666; but afterwards rebuilt all of Stone, in 1688; and beautified, and a new Tower (about one hundred Foot high, which was broken down by the great Hurrican, on November 27, 1703;) was finished, in 1698. And now it's a beautiful and large Church,

Church, but no other was annexed to it, for the old Parish consists of one hundred and twenty Dwelling-Houses.

Prayers are here only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven a Clock.

Lectures are, a Sermon on St. John's Day or *December 27*, at ten; for, and before the Fish-mongers Company.

Another on *New-years-day*, at three a Clock; for, and before the Company of Coopers.

And some other Occasional Sermons, but uncertain.

Ministers. Mr. *James Gardner*, Rector; and Mr. *Powel*, Lecturer.

St. Michael Queen-Vith, in the west Side of *Thames-street* by *Queen-Vith*, which is called also *Ripa Regine*, or the *Queen's-Bank*, because it was a Haven for transporting Goods, for the proper Use of the ancient Queens of England. This is an old Parish-Church; for *Stephen Spelman* founded a Chauntry here, and was buried in the Choir, in 1404. It was repaired, in 1615; burnt, in 1666; rebuilt by the publick Charge, in 1676, all of Stone; repaired and beautified, in 1706; and is now a very lately Church, with a fine Tower, one hundred and thirty five Foot high; it's paved with Stone, and beautified with

several Ornaments ; and enlarged with the Addition of the old Parish of the *Holy Trinity* near thereto, which was an ancient Church ; *John Mirfin* was buried in it, in 1471 ; and *Sir Richard Fowler*, in 1528 ; *Mr. John Bryan*, Alderman, in 1418, and fifth of King *Henry V.*, was a great Benefactor to it. It was rebuilt, in 1607 ; repaired, in 1626 ; and burnt, in 1666 ; but it was not rebuilt ; and only separated for a Burial-place, and the old Parish of *Trinity* united to this ; and now both contain about two hundred and twenty Dwelling-Houses.

Morning Prayers are only on Holy Days, and publick Days, at eleven ; and Evening Prayers constantly at six o'Clock.

Lectures are, an annual Sermon on *St. Luke's Day*, or *October 18*, at twelve o'clock, for, and before the ancient Company of *Painters Stainers*, who were incorporated, in 1580, and twenty third of *Queen Elizabeth*.

A Charity Sermon every second Sunday of the Month, at five in the Evening ; which is maintain'd by a religious Society, for the Use of poor Children.

And some other Occasions extraordinary.

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Ministers. Mr. *Samson Eastwick*, Rector; and Mr. *Andrew Trebeck*, Lecturer.

St. Michael le Quetn, vide *St. Vedast or Foster-lane*.

St. Michael Royal, on the east Side of *College-hill* near *Dowgate*; it's called *Royal*, from the *Tower Royal*, or the *King's Wardrobe*, which was the Royal Palace of *William the Conqueror*; the Mother of King *Richard II*; and several other King's of *England*; built there about 1120; and *College-hill*, because it's situate on that *Hill*, where was first founded a *Collegiate Church* of *St. Spirit*, and *St. Mary*, by Sir *Richard Whittington*, three Times Lord Mayor, about the Year 1400; upon the Foundation of the old Church, which he rebuilt; it consisted of a Master, four Fellows, Clerks, Choirister's, &c. and continued 'till it was suppressed, in the Time of King *Edward VI*, and turned into a *Parish-Church*, for the Inhabitants of *Vintry Ward*. It was therefore called *Whittington College*; and gave Name to this Place and Church. It was burnt down, in 1666; but rebuilt all of Stone in stately Fashion, and finished, in 1694. And is now a beautiful Church, called also *St. Michael Pater Noster Royal*; and enlarged with the old Parish of *St.*

Martin Vintry, built in 1399, by *Matthew Columbars*, a French Merchant; it's called also *St. Martin de Beremond*, because it belong'd thereto; it was burnt, in 1666, but not rebuilt; which together make up a Congregation of two hundred Dwelling-Houses.

Here are Morning Prayers only on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and every Holy Day, at eleven; and Evening Prayer only at three a Clock; which latter

With an Evening Lecture every Friday through the Year at the same Time are maintained by these Gifts; first *Mr. James Finch*, Clothworker, gave in the Year 1508, ten Pounds per Annum; for Reading Divinity in *Whittington's College*; and to be paid by the Company for ever: Second, *John Heydon*, Mercer and Alderman, gave, in 1575, thirteen Pounds six Shillings and eight Pence per Annum, for ever, for a Weekly Lecture, and to be paid by his Company; but these Lectures being neglected many Years, they were settled, in 1702, as is before said; and preached by *Mr. Henry Shute*.

A preparation Sermon for the Holy Sacrament is preached here, every last Sunday in the Month, at five in the Evening, and maintain'd by a religious Society.

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Ministers. *Mr. Montague Wood*, Rector; and *Mr. Anthony Kinsman*.

St. Michael Wood-street; because it's situate in the Middle, on the west Side of great *Wood-street* near *Cheapside*. It's an ancient Church, being old and decayed it was repaired, in 1392, by the Gifts of *John Ive*, Rector, and others of the Parish. It was consumed in the late devouring Fire, but soon after rebuilt in very stately and beautiful Order, all of Stone, paved therewith, and covered with Lead; it's famous for the Interment of the Head of *King James IV*, of *Scotland*, who was killed at the Battle of *Floddin-field*, *September 9, 1513*; and several Persons of Distinction: And augmented with the Addition of *St. Mary Staining* in *Staining-lane*, whereby the Parish is increased to one hundred and forty Houses. And now it's a stately and beautiful Parish-Church.

Wherein are Morning Prayers on *Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy days*, at eleven a Clock.

Lectures are, upon the first Tuesday after *St. Catharine's Day*, or *November 25*; for, and before the Company of *Haberdasher's*,

dascher's, who meet about twelve a Clock.

And some other Days extraordinary, and uncertain.

Ministers. Mr. *William Thomas*, Rector ; and Mr. *John Price*, Lecturer.

Chapels within this Parish, is the private free Chapel within *Wood-street Counter*.

St. Mildred Bread-street ; it's situate on the east Side of *Bread street* near *St. Mary le Bow*, which was so called from a Market of *Bread* held there, where all the Bakers of *London* were obliged to sell their Bread, by a Statute, in 1303 ; about which Time this Church was new founded in whole or in part, by the Lord *Trenchant* of *St. Alban's*. It was repaired, in 1628 ; consumed, in 1666 ; but rebuilt of Stone and Brick ; and finished and opened, *March 23, 1683*. And now it's a fine spacious and beautiful Parish-Church ; being lastly repaired and beautified, in 1706 ; and augmented with the old Parish of *St. Margaret Moses*, in the upper End of the same Street ; which is so called from one *Moses* a Founder, or Benefactor thereto ; it was repaired, in 1621 ; burnt, in 1666 ; and encompassed with a Brick wall, for a Burial-place to the old Parish ; which with the

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Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven a Clock.

Lectures are these nine; maintained by the Gifts of these Benefactors to the Parish.

Sir Nicholas Crisp, Alderman, appointed these two; the first to be preached on the first Sunday after the tenth of *May*; the second on the first Sunday after the tenth of *November*; both at ten; he left ten Shillings to the Minister for each, besides other Gifts; and was buried in a fine Vault, made for himself and Posterity, in 1628.

Mr. John Ireland, Master of the *Salters's Company*, these two; the first on the first Monday after *January 29*; the second on the first Sunday after the twelfth of *April*: And left thirteen Shillings and four Pence to the Minister; he and his Wife were buried in the Church, in 1613.

Mr. David Gittins these two; the first on the second Sunday in *Advent*; the second on the second Sunday in *Lent*,

at ten ; for which he left five Shillings for each to the Preacher.

Mr. *Brightwell* appointed one Sermon to be preached on the first of *November*, for which he left thirteen Shillings and four Pence to the Minister.

Mr. *Thomas Langham* order'd one to be preach'd on the first Sunday after the thirteenth Day of *August*, at ten ; besides other Gifts left in the Year 1575.

Mr. *George Pook* order'd a Sermon to be preach'd on the seventeenth Day of *November*, for *St. Margaret Moses*.

And some others on extraordinary Occasions.

Ministers. Dr. *John Harris*, Rector ; and Dr. *Humphry*, Lecturer.

St. Mildred Poultry near *Stock's Market*, on the south Side of the *Poultry* in *Cheapside*. It's an ancient Church ; *Thomas Morested*, Chirurgeon to King *Henries* the fourth, fifth, and sixth, gave a Church-yard, in 1420 ; and being old and decay'd, it was taken down and rebuilt, in 1450 ; and again, in 1426 ; it was destroyed, in 1666 ; and rebuilt by the publick Charge ; and finished, in 1676. It's all of Stone, the Roof is covered with Lead, over which is erected a Tower seventy five Foot High. The Floor is paved with Stone

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Prayers are here only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven a Clock.

Sacraments are administred on the ordinary Times, for which Mr. *Thomas Haws* left five Pounds *per Annum*, for ever.

Lectures are, a preparation Sermon for the Sacrament, on the last Wednesday of the Month ; at four a Clock in the Evening.

An annual Sermon on *September 2*, upon the Fire of *London*.

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November 17, upon *Queen Elizabeth's* Accession to the Crown.

On *November 5*, for the Gun-powder Treason ; all at ten, and maintained by the Gift of *Mr. William Tudman*, who gave one hundred Pounds to be lent to young Freemen, and the Interest at four per Cent for these Lectures.

And Sermons on *January 30*, *March 8*, *May 29*, and some other publick Days.

And several Charity Sermons, but uncertain.

Ministers. *Dr. George Martin*, Rector ; and *Mr. James Shepherd*, Lecturer.

Chapels in these united Parishes, are that in the *Poultry Counter*, and in *Mercer's-Hall*, *vide*.

The New Chapel in *Chapel-street*, near *Tuttle-fields*, called otherwise *Tuttle-fields Chapel*, and a Chapel of Ease in the Parish of *St. Margaret Westminster*, but now design'd for a new Church, without Reparation or Addition : It was first begun to be built by *Sir Marmaduke Darell*, Brother and Executor to *George Darell*, D. D. and Prebendary of *Westminster Abby*, who by his Will dated *April 24*, 1631 ; gave four hundred Pounds to erect a Chapel for the Ease of the Inhabitants, about *Tuttle-fields*, *Petty-france*, and Places adjacent ; and was finished,

finished, in 1636, by the Bounty of Sir Robert Pye of *Westminster*, who gave five hundred Pounds, Archbishop *Laud*, and Others. But afterwards it was plundered, and converted into a Stable for Horses, in the Time of the Civil War, (fitter indeed for these innocent Creatures, than the sacrilegious Regicides who put them there,) as they did also spoil the Mother Church; but after the *Restoration* it was repaired, enlarged and beautified. And now it's a spacious and stately *Chapel of Ease*, consisting of an honourable and numerous Auditory, and situated in the Middle of a large and decent Church-yard, or burying Ground, appointed for the Use of the Parish; built of Brick, covered with Lead, paved with Tiles, enlarged with Galleries, and adorn'd with a large Communion Table, Branches, &c.

Wherein are Morning Prayers every Day at nine; but on all Holy Days when there is a Sermon, not 'till ten; and Evening Prayers at five, from *Candlemas* to *Michaelmas*; at four from that to *All Saints Day*; and at three from thence to *Candlemas*; for maintaining whereof, Mr. *Edmund Pye* gave fifty Pounds per *Annum*, for ever.

Lectures are, a preparation Sermon for

for the Sacrament on the last Friday of the Month, at three a Clock.

Several Charity Sermons in *Advent*, and other Times of the Year.

On most Part of Holy Days, and all publick Days, appointed by the Government.

Ministers. Dr. *George Smalridge*, Lord Bishop of *Bristol*, Minister; and Mr. *Thomas Bowyer*, Lecturer, and Curate.

The Chapel in Newgate Prison; called so because of it's *Newness*; being erected later than other Gates of *London*, for Ease to the Passengers into *Holborn*, in the Time of King *Henry I.*, about 1099; whereas other Gates were made about the Year 306, or according to others 399, when *Constantine* the Great encompassed this ancient City with Walls; but *newer* still, because it was new built in the first Year of King *Henry VI.*, 1412, by Sir *Richard Whittington*, Lord Mayor, being then a very dirty and abominable Place, called *Chamberlain-gate*. It was new rebuilt, in 1631: much damnified, in 1666; soon after it was repaired, and is now a sumptuous and stately Fabrick; and has been a Prison for Debtors and Criminals of all Sorts, committed in the City, and County of *Middlesex*, Time out of Mind; for Sir *John Poultney*,
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Lord Mayor, gave four Marks *per Annum* to the Prisoners, in 1237; and was such before that; for whose Use and Edification this Chapel is appointed and kept in good Order. Wherein are

Morning Prayers on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at ten; and Sermon every Sunday at ten; and Prayers only at three. And during the eight *Sessions* in the Year are Prayers every Day twice, at ten, and three; and proper penitential Sermons for the Use of the condemned Persons, *viz.* on the first Sunday after Condemnation, and the last, or that immediately before their Execution; by Mr. *Paul Lorrain*, Ordinary, at present.

St. Nicolas Acons, *vide* St. Edmund the King.

St. Nicolas Coleabby, or *Cold Abby*, or *Cold Bay*; (by Contraction) because it stood in a cold Place, upon the Bank of the River *Thames*, by *Cold Harbour*, being exposed to the Violence of the *Cold north*, and *east Winds*, before the City increased towards the River; though it's now situate on the south Side of old *Fish street*, and surrounded with a multitude of fine Houses, even to the Water-side. It's an ancient Church, for *Walter Turk*, Lord Mayor,

Mayor, in 1349, was buried here; the *Steeple* and *South Isle* were new built by Esquire *Buckland*, in 1377, and first of *Richard II.*, but the Body of it was older than these. In 1352, and twenty sixth of King *Edward III.*, Mr. *Thomas Ferrer* a Fishmonger, gave a large Piece of Ground for a Church-yard, which had been long wanting. And in 1397, the old Church was repaired by *Thomas Barnard*, and Others; and again, in 1626, by the Parish; it was devoured by the Flames, in 1666; and rebuilt all of Stone in stately manner, in 1677; it's cover'd with Lead, over which is erected a beautiful Tower, one hundred and thirty five Foot high; and is a very beautiful Church within. To which is united by Act of Parliament, the old Parish of *St. Nicolas Olave* near to it, which was likewise consumed, but not re-edified; and both together contain one hundred and thirty Houses. These three of this Appellation, are dedicated to *St. Nicolas*, Son of *Epiphanus* and *Joanna*, of the City *Pancras*; he was at last Bishop of *Myria* in *Lycia*, where he died, in 343: And his Festival is annually celebrated on *December 6.* But only one of them continues now to be a Parish-Church.

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Lectures are, a Weekly Lecture upon every Thursday, at eleven ; which is preach'd by the Rector ; and maintain'd by *Thomas Haselfoot*, who gave twenty Marks, for this, and two Pounds twelve Shillings to the Poor, in Bread ; and *William Haselfoot*, his Brother, who gave eight Pounds Yearly, for ever ; and paid by the *Haberdasher's Company*.

Also a Biennial Sermon, falling out once in two Years ; upon the first Thursday after *St. James's Day* ; paid by the *Bowyers Company*, and before them, at twelve.

Some others, upon some solemn Occasions.

Ministers. *Mr. Walter Wells*, Rector ; and *Mr. Thomas Worlege*, Lecturer.

St. Nicolas Place on *Bread-street Hill*, vide *St. Nicolas Coleabby*.

The Chapel in Noble-street. It's a private small Chapel, in the Parish of *St. Giles Cripplegate* ; erected for the Ease of the Inhabitants of *Noble-street*, and other Places, about the Year 1703 ; and maintained by their Subscriptions, Gifts, and Contributions, who are far from

from the Mother-Church ; and headed by a religious Society there. Wherein are publick Prayers and Sermon, only on every Sunday at ten, and five.

And a Weekly Sermon on Thursday, at six a Clock in the Evening.

The Holy Sacrament is administred, on the second Sunday of the Month constantly ; by Mr. *James Ferguson*, only Minister thereof.

St. Olave Hart-street, because it's situate on the south Side thereof, in the *Crutched Fryars*, near the *Tower of London* ; and therefore it's called *St. Olave Juxta Turrim Londini*. It's an ancient and stately Parish-Church, and an old Building, most of Stone ; it was repaired, in 1633 ; escaped the dismal Flames, in 1666 ; and was at last repaired by the Parish, in 1713. It's a spacious and beautiful Church, adorned with a Steeple sixty Foot high, wherein are six large Bells ; several stately ancient and new Monuments, with suitable Inscriptions, and enriched with divers Benefactions ; the Parish comprehends in whole, two hundred and twenty Dwelling-Houses. Only these three Parish-Churches are dedicated to the Memory of *St. Olave*, or *Olaus* ; there were several eminent Persons of that Name in *Norway* ; but the chief seems

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Morning Prayers are here every Wednesday, and Friday, and Holy Days, and all publick State Days, at eleven ; and Evening Prayers at three a Clock ; only on Saturdays in the Time of *Lent*.

The Holy Sacrament is administred on every Sunday, after the first Thursday of the Month, and on all solemn Occasions.

Lectures are, a preparation Sermon, on the first Thursday of the Month, at eleven.

A Weekly Lecture every Thursday, at eleven, from *Michaelmas* to *Lady-day* ; maintained by the Gift of *Anne Hopes*, which is twelve Pounds *per Annum*, for ever.

Four Quarterly Sermons, on the first Sunday after Quarter Day, at ten ; for which Mr. *John Highlord* left two Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence *per Annum*, for ever.

Upon all publick Solemnities, and some other Occasions.

Ministers. Mr. *John Turton*, Rector ; and Mr. *Edmund Chiswell*, Lecturer.

St. Olave Jewry, on the west Side of the old Jewry near *Coleman-street* ; about the Year 1320, it was called *St. Olave Upwell*, from some of that Name, who

who were Founders or Benefactors to it: And so it must be now of three hundred and ninety four Years standing, and had been perhaps as many before that. It was consumed, in 1666; and rebuilt and finished, in 1673: And now it's a stately Fabrick of Brick and Stone, covered with Lead; and within it's paved with Stone, beautified with the Portraits of Queen *Elizabeth*, and Charles I: And several Monuments, Paintings, &c. to which since the Fire, is annexed the old Parish of St. *Martin* in *Ironmonger-lane*, called anciently *Pomary*, (as is supposed) from Orchards of Apples, which grew thereabout: And now both comprehend above one hundred fine Dwelling-Houses.

Prayers are here only on Wednesdays, and Fridays, at eleven; from the first Wednesday in *October*, 'till the last in *May*, and all Holy Days, and publick Days.

Lectures are, a Weekly Lecture on every Wednesday in the foresaid Time, at eleven; which was first given by the Lady *Weld*, Wife to Sir *Humphry Weld*, Lord Mayor, in 1608; and further encouraged by Mr. *Vaughan*, and Sir *John Frederick*, Lord Mayor, in 1613.

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Ministers. Dr. *Thomas Green*, Vicar; and Mr. *Joseph Trap*, Lecturer.

St. Olave in *Silver-street*, vide *St. Alban* in *Wood-street*.

St. Olave in *Southwork*. (and commonly by Contraction, *Tooley-Church*) It's situate on the very Bank of the *River Thames*, and faces *Tooley-street*, near *London-Bridge*, in the County of *Surrey*: It's mentioned about the Year 1280; and was doubtless long before that; and is still an old Edifice, all of Stone and Brick, and paved with Stone; It was repaired, in 1617; beautified, in 1675; and again, in 1697. And is now a spacious and beautiful Church; the Steeple is very large and strong, ninety five Foot high, wherein is a Peal of six Bells; there is a fine large Clock-dial, facing the Street; within is a stately Organ, three Galleries, a costly Altar-piece, and Communion Table, a Portraiture of King *Charles I*, brought from *Italy*, and given by Mr. *Edward Nicols*; another of Queen *Elizabeth*; some ancient Monuments, as that of *George Rook*, Esq; whose Father by three Wives had twenty six Children, and he by two had twenty two; he died *October 8*, 1646, aged sixty six; *Thomas Malledge*, in 1575,

1575. &c. It's enriched with divers considerable Gifts since the Year 1561. The Parish consists of about two hundred Dwelling-Houses.

Herein are Morning Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, all Holy Days, and publick Days, at eleven; and Evening Prayers every Saturday only, at three; as a Preparation to the Holy Sabbath.

Lectures are, a preparation Sermon, for the approaching Sacrament, on the last Saturday of the Month, at five; maintained by the Gift of the Lady *Osburn Clark*, who left four Pounds per *Annum*, for ever, in 1660; and preached by twelve several Ministers, chosen Monthly by the Warden of the Church.

An annual Sermon on *August 5*, at ten; in Commemoration of *Mr. William Dawling*, Haberdasher, on *London-bridge*, who in the Year 1703, left fifty Pounds for ever, for this; and 5 Shillings apiece to be given on this Day to ten poor Felt-makers, or their Widows.

A Weekly Lecture every Wednesday, at four; from *Michaelmas* to *Lady-day*, the free Service of the Lecturer, for the Time being.

A Charity Sermon on the first Sunday of the Month, at five; maintained for

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Ministers. Dr. *John Bolter*, Rector ;
and Mr. *Samuel Errington*, Lecturer.

Oxenden Chapel, on the west Side
of *Oxenden-street* near the *Haymarket*,
in the *Liberties* of *Westminster* ; it's a
Chapel of Ease to the Parish of *St. Mar-*
tin in the Fields, of about sixty Years
standing, founded by the Inhabitants
thereabouts ; wherein there is only
Prayers and Sermon, as follows.

Morning Prayers are every Day at
eleven a Clock ; but there is no Commu-
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Besides two Sermons every Sunday
at the usual Hours, there is a Weekly
Lecture on Friday, at eleven a Clock
through the Year ; which is maintained
by the Inhabitants thereabouts.

Ministers. Mr. *Samuel Arnold*, Sun-
day Preacher ; and Mr. *John Sparling*,
Friday Lecturer.

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in *St. Margaret's* Parish Church ; he died on *January 5, 1659* ; in respect thereto he erected these *Alms-Houses*, and endow'd them with eighty Pounds *per Annum*, for ever ; which is now increased to one hundred and six Pounds, for the Relief of six poor Men, and as many Women ; who have six Pounds *per Annum*, besides a Chaldron of Coals, Gowns, &c. And this *private Chapel* for their Use, where he had Prayers every Day, and Sermon twice a Week, for a long Time before his Death ; but now there are only Prayers daily at eleven, by *Mr. Clark*, Master also of the free School ; they have the Opportunity of more in the *new Chapel* near to it ; whether they are obliged to resort, for Evening Prayers and Sermons.

St. Pancras in *Pancras-lane*, now little *Queen-street*, vide *St. Mary le Bon*

I come now to speak of the great *Cathedral* of the whole Diocess, and in all *England* ; and perhaps the most magnificent, ancient, and greatest in the World ; and the Ornament of this Imperial City, over which it now elevates it self most eminently ; which therefore might have required the first Place, and a peculiar Tractation by it self, if I had not chosen an Alphabetical Order ; which I shall illustrate

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St. Paul's Cathedral. It's the greatest Church, and the only *Cathedral* of the greatest City of *England*, and the Diocese of *London*; and perhaps the most ample and celebrated Piece of Architecture in the whole World besides it self, twenty Foot longer than *St. Peter's* at *Rome*; built near the Middle, and upon the highest Ground of all the City, has the greatest Prospect of any in *Europe*; and the only *Cathedral* in the World, that is dedicated to the Holy Apostle *St. Paul*; the History of whose *Conversion*, and preaching to the *Bereans*, is curiously represented upon the west Portico; opposite to which, in the Church-yard, was erected a most magnificent Statue of white Marble, to the perpetual Honour of our most glorious Sovereign Queen *ANNE*, and finished July 7, 1713; which was the publick Solemnity upon the Conclusion of a happy *Peace* with *France*. It was first founded under Christianity at the coming of *St. Austine* from *Rome*, about the Year 610, by *Ethelbert* King of *Kent*, with the Assistance of *Segbert*, or *Eberbert*, King of the *Saxons*; in a Wood or Grove, where stood formerly a Temple of *Diana* the *Heathen Goddess*;

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which Opinion was farther confirmed in the Time of King *Edward II*, about 1310, and seven hundred Years after the first Foundation, when Workmen were digging thereabout, they found above one hundred Heads of Oxen, which were the Sacrifices offered to that Goddess. It was soon after endowed with Lands and Privileges, by King *Sebert*, *Erkenwald* Bishop of *London*, *Kenrid* King of *Mercia*, and other succeeding Kings. This ancient and famous Cathedral hath undergone divers Disasters in such a long Tract of Time. It was repaired by the foresaid *Erkenwald*, the fourth Saxon Bishop thereof, after it had been destroyed by Fire, about 690. In the Reign of King *William the Conqueror*, about 1087, it was burnt down in that great Conflagration which destroyed the greatest Part of the City from the west Gate to the east Gate; after which *Mauritius*, the thirtieth Bishop of *London*, began to repair it; and *Beauneis* his Successor almost finished it. It was damned again by a Fire in *January*, 1135; then it was rebuilt by the charitable Gifts of *Roger Niger*, thirty ninth Bishop of *London*, and many through *England* and *Ireland*, about 1222; but scarcely finished 'till 1256. In *February* 1, about

two in the Afternoon, in 1444, the Steeple was fired with Lightning and much damnified, but repaired soon after. And in June 4, 1561, and third of Queen *Elizabeth*, between three and four in the Afternoon, the Steeple was fired by Lightning, or as others affirm by the negligence of a Plummer, who left his Fire Pan 'till he went to Dinner, as he confessed at his Death; and within five Years after that the Roof was finished, by the speedy Help of Queen *Elizabeth*; she gave one thousand Marks, and one thousand Load of Timber; the Citizens of *London* three thousand two hundred and forty seven Pounds sixteen Shillings; the Clergy of *Canterbury* one thousand four hundred and sixty one Pounds thirteen Shillings and three Pence; the Bishop of *London*, the two Lord Chief Justices, and the Dean, six thousand seven hundred and two Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence, &c; and the Steeple began to be re-erected, in 1620; afterwards it was begun to be wholly repaired by the Kings Commission, in 1631, and seventh of *Charles I*, and the Endeavours of the Pious Archbishop *Laud*, and almost finished in 1643; in which Time one hundred and one thousand three hundred and thirty Pounds four Shillings and

eight Pence were received, and the Archbishop repositied seventeen thousand Pounds in the Chamber of *London*; but all that was seized on, the Cross pulled down, the Revenues taken away, the Stalls in the Choir taken down, the Marble Pavement pulled up, Monuments defaced, and the whole profanely used, for Horses-Quarter, Saw-pits, &c. by those sacrilegious Rebels in the Civil Wars; from which Desolation it was begun to be raised at the King's Restauration; but at last it fell a Victim as well as the rest, to these merciless Flames, *September 2, 1666*. This dismal Catastrophe was a proper Occasion for the most clement and merciful King to demonstrate his Pity; who constituted a new Commission for rebuilding it from the Foundation, according to the Model of Sir *Christopher Wren*; proposed to give one thousand Pounds per *Annum*: And by Act of Parliament, granted an Imposition upon Coals imported into *London*, which has been several Times renewed; whereby the old Building was taken down, and the first Stone of this new Structure was laid *June 21, in 1675*, by Mr. *Strong*, Mason; and ever since has been carried on at the Charge of the foresaid Subsidy; and the bountiful Contributions

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of forty six Bishops, and many of the Clergy, besides *Lords, Ladies*, and other very eminent Persons, which in all amounts to fifty one thousand two hundred and twenty Pounds, besides the publick Charge. And now after thirty nine Years Labour and Expenſe, (wherein has been expended more Money than in building all the fifty two Churches that have been rebuilt beſides,) it riſes out of it's former Aſhes, raiſes it's Head above all the ſplendid Edifices of this Royal City, being now brought almoſt to Perfection; and remains to be the Monument of *London's Glory*, the Confuſion of *Roman Cruelty*, and the Trophy of our reformed Religion, which triumphs over that as much as the new Temple exceeds the old. My deſigned Brevity hinders the ample Deſcription of the *Dimensions, Porticos, Columns, Towers, Steps of Aſcent, the Figures, Emblems, the Altar-piece, Galleries, Organ, Stalls, the Biſhop's Throne, the Lord Mayor's Seat, the yearly Rents, Enrichments, Donations, Privileges, Biſhops, and Deans*, in the various Succeſſions of ſo long Time, the ancient and remarkable *Monuments and Tombs, of Seba King of the eaſt Saxons, Ethelred King of the weſt Saxons, about twenty Biſhops of London, ſeveral Dukes, Lord Mayors,*

and many other Persons of Distinction ; the *Choir*, the *Chapels*, the *Dome*, and the like surpassing Ornaments of this most curious Fabrick ; which others have done at large. I shall only proceed as in others, to speak of the Manner and Order of Divine Service, which is thus.

Morning Prayers are every Day in the Chapel at six, in the Summer, and seven in the Winter, but in the Choir again at ten ; and Evening Prayers constantly at three a Clock.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administred every Sunday in the Year at twelve.

Lectures are, a publick Sermon on all Sundays, and Holy Days, at ten ; the Preacher is appointed by the Bishop of *London*, and paid forty Shillings (formerly forty five) out of the Chamber of *London*.

A Sermon every Sunday Afternoon, at three ; by the Residentiaries, in their Turns.

One on *January 30*, *March 8*, *May 29*, *September 2*, *November 5* ; and all other publick Solemnities of Thanksgiving, or Fast Days, appointed by the Government, before the Lord Mayor, and Aldermen, of *London* ; by his Lordship's Chaplains, or others appointed by the

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the Bishop ; for which the Preacher is immediately paid forty Shillings, out of the Chamber of *London*, by several Gifts from divers Persons thereto.

An annual Sermon before the Sons of the Clergy, which was preached last Year on *December 10*, at ten ; and published, by Dr. *Henry Sacheverell*.

Another at the Anniversary Meeting of the *Gentlemen* educated at *St. Paul's School* ; which was preached *January 25*, (which is the Anniversary of *St. Paul's Conversion*) at ten ; by Mr. *S. Dod*.

Eight Lectures of the Honourable *Robert Boyle, Esq*; by Course once in two Years.

And divers other occasional and extraordinary Sermons.

The constant Ministers are the Dean and Prebendaries, under the immediate Government of the Lord Bishop of *London*. These thirty Prebendaries were first confirmed by Pope *Gregory* the Great, in the third Year of his Pontificate ; three whereof are Residentiaries, which follow with the several *Prebends*, and the *certain Days* whereon they preach.

Mr. *Stanhope, Oxgate*. Mr. *Halsted, Ealdstreet*. On *St. Andrew's Day* in their annual Turns.

Mr. *Hotchkis, Caddington Minor*. Dr.

Younger, Ealdland. On *St. Thomas's Day* in their annual Turns.

Dr. Godolphin, Dean. On *Christmas-day.*

Dr. Stanley, Archdeacon of London. On *St. Stephen's Day.*

Dr. Gatford, Precentor. On *St. John's Day.*

Dr. Alston, Treasurer. On *Innocents-day.*

Dr. Sanders, Chancellor. On *Circumcision.*

Mr. Whitfield, Finsbury. On the *Epiphany.*

Dr. Stanley, Caddington Major. On the *Conversion of St. Paul.*

Dr. Pelling, Tottenhall. On the *Purification of the Virgin Mary.*

Dr. Warley, Cantlers. On *St. Matthias's Day.*

Dr. Millington, Newington. On the *Annunciation of the Virgin.*

Dr. Williams, St. Pancras. On *Wednesday before Easter.*

Dr. Alston, Mora. On *Maundy Thursday, or Thursday before Easter.*

Mr. Jackson, Mapesbury. On *Good Friday.*

Dr. Dibbin, Brownswood. On *Easter Eve.*

Dr. Godolphin, Dean. On *Easter-day.*
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Ascension-day.

John's Dr. *Godolphin*, *Dean*. On *Whitsun-*
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St. James.

On the Mr. *Price*, *Harleston*. *St. Bartholomew*.

Wed- Mr. *Edgely*, *Holborn*. Dr. *Sherlock*,
Weldland. On *St. Matthew*.

y Thurs- Mr. *James*, *Islington*. Mr. *Burton*,
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n Good Dr. *Brabant*, *Reculversland*. Mr. *Haw-*
kins, *Nesden*. On *St. Luke*.

Easter- Dr. *Hare*, *Portpool*. Mr. *Beaulieu*,
Twisford. On *St. Simon* and *St. Jude*.

ster-day Dr. *Warley*, *Archdeacon of Colchester*.
Mr. *Cook*, *Lost by Sea*. On *All Saints*.

Dr. *Al* In the seven Weeks of *Lent*, preach
these in their Turns.

Dr. Williams, *St. Pancras*. On Wednesday.

Dr. Dibbin, *Brownswood*. On Friday.

Dr. Stanley, *Archdeacon of London*. On Wednesday.

Dr. Alston, *Archdeacon of Essex*. On Friday.

Dr. Lancaster, *Archdeacon of Middlesex*. On Wednesday.

Dr. Warley, *Archdeacon of Colchester*. On Friday.

Dr. Turner, *Precentor*. On Wednesday.

Dr. Alston, *Treasurer*. On Friday.

Dr. Sanders, *Chancellor*. On Wednesday.

Mr. Whitfield, *Finsbury*. On Friday.

Dr. Pelling, *Tottenham*. On Wednesday.

Dr. Warley, *Cantlers*. On Friday.

Dr. Millington, *Newington*. On Wednesday.

Mr. Jackson, *Mapesbury*. On Friday.

St. Paul in *Covent-Garden*, in the *Liberties of Westminster*. It's a Church of no great Antiquity, being first a *Chapel of Ease*, to the Parish of *St. Martin in the Fields*; founded by *Francis Earl of Bedford*, about 1646, for the *Ease and Use* of the *Inhabitants* of that *Precinct*, who are mostly his own *Tenants*; who also settled a convenient

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Maintenance and Habitation for a Minister. Afterwards 'twas made a distinct Parish of it self, exempted from all Dependence upon the former Parish, by Act of Parliament, in 1660, and twelfth of King *Charles II*; and this a *Parochial Church*. The Vestry was built, in 1668; and the Church repaired, in 1688. It's built of Brick and Stone, and within it's very spacious, though there is not a Pillar in it, but these magnificent ones in the outer Portico facing the Garden; over which is a large Dial, set up in the Year, 1685, and another on the west End, in 1688, and a fine Clock within, erected upon the west Gallery. It's beautified with a fine new Altar-piece, three large Galleries round about, and three Isles for containing the numerous Parishioners, consisting of about six hundred fine Dwelling-Houses; it's paved all with Stone, situate in a fine Church-yard, in both are some few fine Monuments; and the first of two Parish-Churches which are dedicated to the Memory of the Holy Apostle of the *Gentiles St. Paul*; he was beheaded in the Presence of *Nero*, in 66.

Herein Prayers are four Times a Day, thus: In the Morning at seven, in the Winter, and six in the Summer, and again.

again at ten ; and Evening Prayers at three, and again at six. Morning and Evening Prayers at six, are read by Mr. *Laurence Tarkington*, and the rest by Mr. *John Harris*, Curate Assistant.

The Holy Sacrament is administred every first Sunday of the Month, at twelve ; and every third Sunday, at seven a Clock in the Morning ; besides other solemn Occasions.

Lectures are, a preparation Sermon every last Sunday of the Month, for the approaching Sacrament ; and maintained by the Subscriptions of the Parishioners, and preached by Mr. *John Harris*.

On *January 30*, *March 8*, and all publick State Days, at ten.

The Honourable Mr. *Robert Lumley Lloyd*, of *Cheam* in *Surry*, Rector ; and Mr. *Henry Topping*, Lecturer. Mr. *John Harris*, Curate Assistant.

St. Paul at *Shadwell*. It was first built, in 1656, for a Chapel of Ease to *Stepney Parish*, but made a distinct *Parochial Church* by Act of Parliament, in the twenty first of King *Charles II* ; and consecrated as such on *March 12*, 1670 : the Vestry was built, in 1675 ; the south Gallery, in 1683, by the Parish ; and the north, in 1691, by Mr. *Thomas Bryant* ; at which Time the south Porch

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was built, and the whole was repaired by the Parish. And now it's a beautiful and proper Church ; it's entred down in the Register Book by Mr. *Thomas Sumerly* then, and the first Parish Clark, that on *May 18, 1683*, a Shower of Hail Stones fell thereabouts, whereof some were three Inches, and some bigger. It's built of Brick, beautified with several Ornaments, situate in a fine Church-yard, and faces the publick Street ; the Parish contains about three hundred Dwelling-Houses.

Here are Morning Prayers on all Week Days, at eleven ; and in the Evening at five, in the Summer, and three, in the Winter.

Lectures are, an annual Sermon on the third Thursday of *March*, at ten ; in Commemoration of Mr. *Oliver* of the Parish, for ever.

And some Charity Sermons, and on some other Occasions.

Ministers. Dr. *William Higdon*, Rector ; and Mr. *George Constable*, Lecturer.

The Chapel in the Pest-house, near *Bunhill-fields*, in the Parish of St. *Giles Cripplegate* ; the Hospital was formerly appointed for the Relief and Cure of sick People ; and so called from the burying Ground thereto belonging,

longing, wherein those who were infected and died of the *Pestilence*, were buried: But now it's granted by the City to the *French Refugees*, who use it for an Hospital for the Relief of their Sick; for whom are Prayers every Day, at eleven, and three; and Sermon on Sundays, by Mounſieur *Fontaine*.

St. Peter Cheap in *Cheapside*, vide *St. Matthew* in *Friday-street*.

St. Peter Cornhill, on the south Side thereof; which is so called from a *Corn Market*, which has been there Time out of Memory. It's a Church of great Antiquity; for it's probable that it was the first Christian Church in *London*, an Archbishop's See, and the Metropolitan of this Kingdom, so constitute and built by *Lucius*, the first Christian King in the World, in 179; or *Thean*, first Archbishop of *London*; and *Ciran* chief Butler to the said King. And thus it continued for about four hundred and twenty one Years, 'till that Constitution was changed by *Austine* the Monk, and removed to *Canterbury* under King *Ethelbert*, in 600. And so this Church is about one thousand five hundred and thirty five Years standing; this is confirmed from an old Table, now engraven on Brass, and fixed to a Pillar of the said Church, since the Fire, and

and from other Authors. But notwithstanding there are others, who apply this Priority and Antiquity to *St. Peter's Abby* in *Westminster*, or that most ancient Building in the great Sanctuary adjoining, now called *Beeche's Cellars*; however, the Mistake or Difference proceeds from the two Churches of the same Name, one in the East, and the other in the West End of this City, which are both of great Antiquity. It was mostly consumed in 1666; but rebuilt by the publick, of Stone, in 1680; repaired and finished, in 1681. The Steeple is of Brick, about one hundred and forty Foot; within it's beautified with a stately new Organ; maintain'd by the Gift of Mr. *Benjamin Thorowgood*, in 1682; and some other Ornaments; the Parish comprehends about one hundred and seventy four fine Houses.

Herein are Morning Prayers every Week Day, at eleven; and Evening at four.

Sacrament is administred every Sunday, at eleven a Clock, after Sermon.

Lectures are, a Weekly Lecture every Thursday, at eleven; preached by Mr. *Stephen Unwin*, Curate; and maintain'd by the Gift of Mrs. *Lucy Edge*, who in 1630, gave twenty one Pounds ten Shillings *per Annum*, for ever.

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Two annual Sermons, for, and before the Company of *Poulterers*; the first on *Ash-Wednesday*, at twelve; the second on *March 10*, at eleven; maintain'd by the Gift of Mr. *Robert Warden*, Poulterer, in 1609, ten Shillings for each; besides other Gifts to the Poor, payable by the Company.

An annual Sermon on *Palm Sunday Eve*, at four; by the Gift of Mr. *Thomas Hinde*, in 1635.

Publick Sermons, on *January 30*, *March 8*, *September 2*, *November 5*, and other solemn State Days; besides some others left by Mr. *William Walthal*, Alderman, in 1606; and other Persons, on other Occasions.

Ministers. Dr. *John Waugh*, Rector; and Mr. *Edward Skerret*, Lecturer.

St. Peter's Chapel in *St. Peter's Hospital*, on the west Side of the Road to *Newington Butts*, in the Parish of *St. George* in *Southwark*; founded by Sir *Thomas Hunt*, in 1618; this fine Chapel was consecrated, in 1619; and the back Part was built, in 1636; and the whole repaired, in 1666, and in 1703. These twenty two Alms-Houses belong to the Company of *Fishmongers*; and are appointed for the Relief of as many decay'd Persons of that Company, who are paid five Shillings monthly, beside

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St. Peter near *St. Paul's Wharf*,
vide *St. Benedict Paul's Wharf*.

St. Peter Poor, on the north Side of *Broad-street* near the *Royal Exchange*, called *le Poor* because of a *Friary* of the *Augustine Eremites*, called also *begging* or *poor Fryars*, who came from *Italy* about 1252, and had some Settlement hereabouts ; it was enlarged by *Sir William Garway*, in 1615 ; new Pew'd, in 1616 ; beautified, in 1617 ; the Steeple and west Gallery were new built, and the Bells new cast, in 1629 ; which cost the Parish one thousand two hundred Pounds. It escaped the late Fire, and is now very dark and low ; the Tower is seventy five Foot high, wherein are five Bells ; it's cover'd with Slate ; and built of Brick and Stone ; and within adorned with some Painting
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upon the Glass Windows, and some old Monuments; it's not a very large Church, for the Parish comprehends but one hundred and forty Dwelling-Houses.

Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven.

Lectures are only a Charity Sermon every Sunday Evening, at five; maintain'd by a religious Society, for the Benefit of the poor Children.

Ministers. Mr. *Benjamin Hoadley*, Rector; and Mr. *Robert Newton*, Lecturer.

St. Peter's Parochial Church, within the *Tower of London*. It's called also *Sancti Petri ad vincula Infra turrim Londini*, from *Chains or Bonds*; and commonly *Her Majesties Royal Chapel* within the Tower; being immediately under her Majesties Government, bestow'd by her self without Institution and Induction; and exempt from all Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the Archbishop; and moreover, the Rector is her Majesties Commissary, who has a Royal Jurisdiction, for determining all Ecclesiastical Causes within the Liberties of the Tower. This Church was probably built when the *Tower* was first erected by *Julius Caesar*, or by *William the Conqueror*, in 1078; and is now
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Prayers are only on Litany Days, *i. e.* Wednesdays, Fridays, Holy Days, and publick Days, at eleven.

Sacrament is administred on the first Sunday of the Month, unless *Christmas-day*, *Easter-day*, *Whitsunday*, and the like, fall near, or upon that Day, then it's omitted, because of the Nearness of these solemn Occasions.

Lectures are, besides Sermon every Sunday Morning only at ten, and Prayers at three ; on *January 30*, *March 8*, *May 29*, *September 2*, *November 5* ; and all other publick Solemnities.

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Ministers: Mr. *William Hopkins*, Rector, only.

St. Peter alias **Westminster-Abby**, from its *westerly* Situation from *London*, and to distinguish it from another *Monastry* or *Abby*, founded by King *Edward III*, in 1359, on *Tower-hill*; which was called *Eastminster*, and suppress'd in the thirtieth of King *Henry VIII*; and the only *Abby* here, and also, that is dedicated to *St. Peter* the *Apostle*. This great and famous *Abby Church* is the next Ornament of this *Royal City*, and the only one in the *City of Westminster*, equal in Antiquity to the most Part, and inferiour to none in the World for Statelynes and other Rarities, being a Piece of admirable Architecture, and most rare Workmanship, both without and within; beautified to the admiration of all Beholders, with the most magnificent and curious Tombs, of many Kings and Queens, the Nobles and most famous Worthies of *England*; whereon are most elegant and witty Inscriptions in several Languages, from the first Royal Founder King *Sebert*, to this Time; with that *Wonder of the World*, King *Henry VII's* Chapel, and many other Master Pieces of Art, and whatever is rare and fine; these Epitaphs, Coats of Armour, Figures, Monuments,

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This ancient and renowned *Abby* remain'd under the Government of *Abbots* and *Monks*, above one thousand Years. It was a *Cathedral*, and the Seat of Episcopal Dignity for ten ; and has been a *Collegiate Church* these hundred and fifty four Years ; but first it's reported that King *Lucius* built a Christian Church here, about the Year 170 ; which was destroyed about one hundred and thirty Years after that, in the Time of *Dioctlesian's* grievous Persecution, whereby Pagan Superstition so much prevail'd again, that a Temple to *Apollo* was built upon the Ruines of that. In the Time of *Antoninus Pius* the Roman Emperor, a dreadful Earthquake shook down the old *Profanum* ; for God about these Times destroyed the Prince of Darknes, and confounded his Oracles, to make Way for Christ and his Holy Religion. This Plot of Ground had layn wast three or four hundred Years, was therefore over-run with Water, and over-grown with Thorns and other Rubbish, and called *Insula Spinarum*, or by our Ancestors *Thornes*, and *Thorney Island*. And about the Year 605, or 610, *Sebert* the first Christian King of the east Saxons, (being converted by *St. Austine the Monk*) built a Church to the Honour of *St. Peter*, and for the

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the Worship and Service of Christ, either upon this Foundation, or at a little Distance therefrom, where still appear the Ruines of a most ancient Structure, now called *Beeche's Cellars* in the great *Sanctuary*, which many learned Antiquarians take to be the Remains of that; then *Mellitus* was first Bishop of *London*; but the Reports of the Dedication to *St. Peter* and other Things, are more than any sober Man can believe. About the Year 659, it was destroyed by the *Danes* in their furious Wars, after that it was rebuilt by the Care and Bounty of King *Edgar*, and *St. Dunstan*, the Archbishop of *Canterbury*, put in twelve *Monks* of the Order of *St. Benedict*, over whom he constituted *Wolsine* their *Abbot*. Others say that *St. Dunstan* rebuilt the *Monastery* himself, about the Year 960, with the Consent and Bounty of King *Edgar*. Afterwards King *Edward the Confessor*, to fulfil those Vows and Promises which he had made in Exile, and by Perswasion of the Monks, founded and enlarged that small decay'd *Monastery*; and on *Innocents-day*, in 1066, by his royal Charter subscrib'd and seal'd (the first that were seal'd in *England*) by himself and his Queen, two Archbishops, eight Bishops, seven Abbots,

Abbots, four Dukes, and some more of his principal Nobility ; endow'd it with large Possessions, great Privileges, and Exemptions, made it the perpetual *Sanctuary* and *Habitation* of the *Benedictine* Monks, immediately under the King, and the Repository of the *Regalia*, for which End he gave a golden Crown, Scepter, an embroidered Pall, a Pair of Spurs, a Tortois-Shell-Comb set in Gold, a Chalice of Onyx Stone, a Patten of pure Gold, several rich Vestments, &c. to be used at the Coronation of his Successors ; but *January* 5 following he died, and was buried in his new Church, and *Editha* his Queen in the Chapel of his own Name. And one hundred and fifty six Years after him, King *Henry III*, took down the old Fabrick, and rebuilt it from the Ground, with that rare Architecture as it stands now ; and on the Eve of *Pentecost*, in 1220, he laid the first Stone of that new *Chapel* of the *Blessed Virgin*. But thirty Years after, in 1245, the Walls and Steeple were taken down again, in order to make them more magnificent ; and to raise Mony for that End, the King, in 1248, appointed a great Fair at *Westminster*, for fifteen Days, and all others to cease through the Kingdom ; which

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the Citizens of *London* were glad to redeem with twenty thousand Pounds ; and soon after that he died ; and after fifty Years Charge it was compleated. But in the Year 1274, the Roof and other Things were damnified by Fire, except the new Walls and Pillars, which King *Edward* I, and II, and the Abbots repaired by their Largesses. About the Year 1471, the Art of Printing (which *William Coxton* had learned in *Germany*) was first practised herein. And at last King *Henry* VII, pulled down the old *Chapel* of the *Blessed Virgin*, erected by King *Henry* III, at the east End of the Abby, and there laid the first Stone of a most curious and stately Chapel, (called King *Henry* VII's *Chapel*) on *January* 24, 1502 ; before several Persons of Distinction, and finished it at the Charge of fourteen thousand Pounds, (or as others say eleven thousand and four hundred Pounds) to be a burial Place for himself and his royal Predecessors, and prohibited any but the Blood Royal to be interred therein ; and accordingly this unparallel'd Edifice is adorned with the magnificent and stately Monuments of divers of the royal Race, (a great many whereof have been buried herein at several Times,) and other

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surprising Ornaments, to the Astonishment of all Spectators, and answerable to their royal Dignity.

So much for the Original of this Edifice, I return to the Ecclesiastical Government thereof; and after one thousand Years uninterrupted Succession of *Abbots* and *Monks*, it was resigned, *January* 16, and thirty first of King *Henry VIII*, by *William Benson*, and seventeen *Monks*; and the King placed a *Dean*, and *Prebendaries*, making *Benson* the first *Dean*, who had been last *Abbot*. But *December* 17, in 1541, and thirty second of his Reign, he made it an Episcopal See, and a Cathedral Church, govern'd by a *Bishop*, a *Dean*, and twelve *Prebendaries*, the City of *Westminster*, and the County of *Middlesex*, (except the Parish of *Fulham*,) to be the Diocese of the *Bishop* of *Westminster*; and constituted *Thomas Thurlaby* *Bishop* thereof; which lasted but for nine Years, 'till he was removed to *Normich*, and *Ely*, upon the first of *April*, in the fourth Year of King *Edward VI*, in 1550; then the King by his Letters Patents dissolved it, and restored it to the former Constitution of *Dean*, and twelve *Prebendaries*. But Queen *Mary* in the fourth Year of her Reign, restor'd it to the ancient Form of

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of Government, under an *Abbot* and fourteen *Monks* of the Order of *St. Benedict*; and *John Freckenham* *Dean* of *St. Paul's* was made the first *Abbot*. But after three Years *Queen Elizabeth* and the Parliament drove them out, in 1559; and in the Year 1560, converted this ancient *Abby* into a *Collegiate Church*, placing therein a *Dean* and twelve *Prebendaries*; but *Dr. Godolphin* (while he was *Dean*) added to these the thirteenth *Prebendary* of *St. Peter* the *Patron*. At that Time the said *Queen* new founded a royal School, for a Master and forty Scholars, called the *Queen's Scholars*, about thirty singing Men or Petty Canons, twelve Almsmen and others; but that School had been first erected by *William the Confessor*, about the Year 1070; all which are maintain'd by the yearly Rents, and Endowments, granted by our Kings and other pious Persons; whereof much was imbezled and sacrilegiously seiz'd on in the Civil War, but restored again by King *Charles II*, in 1660. But this great and stately Edifice being much decay'd, through the Malignity of a long Date, of four hundred and forty Years; and several Injuries and Alterations which had befallen it, since the last Re-edification;

the Parliament in 1700, granted an annual Subsidy of the publick Tax upon Coals, imported into *London*, of two thousand Pounds *per Annum*, for sixteen Years, in all thirty two thousand Pounds; and to be renewed afterwards as Occasion required, for Reparation of the same; whereby it's now repaired and beautified, (as well as other Churches) and almost finished in stately Order, and new Fashion. And now it's the most spacious, conspicuous, and noble Structure; and the only *Abby* about these renowned Cities, of *London*, and *Westminster*.

The comely Order of divine Service, which is the chief End and Ornament thereof, is this.

Morning Prayers are daily at six, in the Summer, and seven, in the Winter Time; again on all Week Days, at ten; but on all Sundays, and Holy Days, at nine; and Evening Prayers at three, on Sundays half an Hour after three a Clock.

Lectures are, on all Sundays, Holy Days, and publick State Days, on *Ash-Wednesday*, on all Wednesdays, and Fridays, through *Lent*, at nine; by the Dean, and Prebendaries, in their Turns.

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But above all other Solemnities, is that most celebrated and august Assembly of the Nobility, at the Coronation of the Kings and Queens of *England*; before whom is an inaugural Sermon preached on the Occasion.

Ministers are, the Dean and Prebendaries, according to the ancient and present Institution, who are these,

Dr. Francis Atterbury, Bishop of *Rochester*, and Dean of *Westminster*.

Dr. Samuel Barton, Sub-Dean.

Dr. Samuel Bradford.

Dr. Laurence Brodrick.

Dr. Thomas Dent.

Mr. Michael Evans.

Dr. Edward Gee.

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Dr. Thomas Sprat.

Dr. John Friend, Master of the School.
William Crofts, M. D. Organist.

Besides twelve Gentlemen of the Choir, eight Choiristers, and many more Officials.

Poplar Chapel. It's a large and stately *Parochial Chapel of Ease*, belonging to the *Parish of Stepney*, situate in a Church-yard, on the west Side of the fore Street. It was erected about the Restauration of King *Charles II*, for the Use and Ease of the increasing Inhabitants of that Hamlet of *Stepney*, and of the *East-India Hospital* there. It's most of Brick; and since that Time it was repaired, and is kept up in good order. Wherein are

Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven a Clock.

Sacrament is administred every third Sunday, at twelve; beside other solemn Occasions.

Lectures are, a preparation Sermon every Thursday, before the third Sunday of the Month, for the Holy Sacrament; maintain'd by a religious Society there.

Minister. *Dr. Landon.*

The Chapel in the *Poultry Counter*, on the west Side of *Cheapside*, between *St. Mildred's Church*, and *Mercer's-Hall*, belonging to the City; and under the Inspection of one of the Sheriffs of *London*, at present *Sir Francis Forbes*, whose Court is held at *Guild-Hall*, on Friday, and Saturday, weekly. It has been a Prison for Debtors, Disturbers of the Peace,

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Peace, &c. Time out of Mind; and called *Counter*, because whosoever were incarcerated therein, were to *Count* for the Fault, or Cause of Commitment, before they were set at Liberty. For their Use this private and extraparochial *Chapel* is appointed, and fitted with Seats, Galleries, and other Conveniences, wherein are Prayers and Sermon every Sunday Morning, at ten; and Prayers on some other Days thro' the Week; by Mr. *Cliffine* present Chaplain.

The *Chapel* in the *Prison* of the *Queen's Bench*, on the east Side of the *Borough* of *Southwark*, between *St. Thomas's Hospital*, and *St. George's Church*. It's the greatest *Prison* in *England* for Debtors, Felons, Murtherers, &c. within the Verge of the *Kings Bench Court*; which was so called, because the *Kings* of *England* sat there in Person on an *high Bench*, and all the Judges in lower Benches at his Feet. For the Use of a vast Number of Prisoners therein, this free and extraparochial *Chapel* is appointed; it is newly repaired, and furnished with Seats, Books, and other Conveniences; and besides, Morning Prayers are every Day, at seven; and Sermon every Sunday Forenoon; by Mr. *Richard Talboy*, Chaplain.

The Chapel in Queen's Square by *St. James's Park*, in the Parish of *St. Margaret Westminster*. This private Chapel was founded for the Use of the Tenants within *Queen's Square*, by Mr. *Charles Shales* Proprietor, in 1706; it's very neat and fine, and beautified with a stately Gallery, Pulpit, and other Ornaments. Wherein are

Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays and Holy Days, at eleven in the Summer Time, but every Week Day in the Winter; and Evening Prayers constantly at four; and the Holy Sacrament at usual Times.

And Sermon every Sunday, and publick State Day, at eleven; and only Prayers at three.

Minister. Mr. *Edward Oliver*.

The Chapel in Great Queen-street, near *Lincoln's-Inn Fields*; it's now a Chapel of Ease to the Parish of *St. Giles* in the *Fields*, therefore called *St. Giles's Chapel*; but at first it was erected for a private Chapel to the Use of a Charity School erected there, in 1706; by Mr. *Baggely*, who with the Donations of some charitable Persons of Quality, and with his constant preaching, administering the Sacraments therein daily, and Benefits arising therefrom; maintained a Master and three Assistants,

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Prayers four Times a Day, and Sermon once ; but they are now only at eleven ; and in the Evening at four.

Sacraments are administred constantly on the last Sunday of the Month.

And Sermon every Sunday Forenoon, and Afternoon, at the usual Hours.

Likewise on *January 30, November 5,* and all other publick State Days ; as at the Mother-Church.

Ministers. *Mr. Thomas Hayley*, Forenoon Preacher ; and *Dr. William Connet*, Lecturer in the Afternoon.

The Chapel of the Rolls, on the east Side of *Chancery-lane*, near *Fleet-street* ; now it's a free and extraparochial *Chapel*, belonging to the *Master* of the *Rolls* for the Time being, and at present to the Right Honourable Sir *John Trevers* ; and so called because it's a Repository of Charters, Patents, Commissions, &c. made up in Rolls of Parchment ; but at first here was founded by King *Henry III.* in 1233, a House.

of converted Jews, upon the Foundation of a Jew's House, which had been formerly confiscated to the King; and therefore it was called *Domus Conversorum*; here they resided and were maintain'd, instructed in the Christian Faith, and had good Encouragement to embrace it; and at that Time this Church was erected for their Use; but after their Expulsion out of England for Stubborness and divers Crimes, it was granted by the royal Patent of King Edward III, in 1377, to William Burstall, Clerk, the first *Custos Rotulorum*, or Master of the Rolls, and then annexed for ever to that Office; wherein are kept all Records of that Nature, from the Beginning of King Richard III, in 1484; those before that Time, are kept in the Tower of London, called *Wakefield Tower*. This Chapel is an ancient Building of Brick, Boulder, and Free Stone; wherein are several large Presses for the Rolls, an ancient Altarpiece, and Communion Table, three old Tombs, of the Date of 1516, 1610, and 1616; two Tables, Benches, &c. for the Master and Others to sit at, out of Term Time; and Divine Service in this Order;

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And the Holy Sacrament is administered seven Times only in the Year, viz. on every second Sunday of the four Terms; and on *Christmas-day*, *Easter-day*, and *Whitsunday*.

Minister. Dr. *Best*, Minister, or Chaplain to the Right Honourable Sir *John Trevers*, Master of the Rolls; and the Masters in Chancery.

The Chapel in Russel-Court in *Drury-lane*. At first it was erected for Dr. *Thomas Manton*, to which Mr. *Daniel Burgess* succeeded, in 1687; who after twenty Years Possession deserted it, in 1706; after which it was repaired by the Gentlemen of Her Majesties *Play-house*, and others in the Court, *Drury-lane*, and Places adjacent, who contributed largely thereto; for whose Use it was then put in good Order; and so continues a Chapel of Ease to the populous Parish of St. *Martin* in the *Fields*. Wherein are

Prayers and Sermon every Sunday twice, at the usual Hours; and likewise at ten, on *January 30*, *March 8*, *May 29*, *November 5*; and other publick Fast and Thanksgiving Days, appointed by the Government; but the Sacrament is never administered.

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Ministers. Mr. *Joseph Smith*, Preacher in the Forenoon; and Mr. *Lawrence Tarkington*, in the Afternoon.

St. Saviour's in Southwark, upon the Bank of the River *Thames*, in the *Diocese of Winchester*, and County of *Surry*. It's the only Church, that is dedicated to the Honour of our Blessed *Saviour*, or the *Virgin Mary Saviouress*; and commonly called *St. Mary Overy*, or *Overree*, i. e. over the River; and the *Foundress*; because before the building of *London Bridge*, there was a *Ferry over the River*; of the Profits whereof, the *Ferry Man's Daughter* (called *Mary*) built a *Nunnery* in this Place; and at her Death, annexed the Profits and Oversight of the said *Ferry*, to the Care of that House; which afterwards increased into a College of Priests, by the Bounty of the Lady *Smithen*; and they built a Bridge of Timber, about the Year 900; but after many Alterations for three hundred Years Time, it was burnt, in 1136; and then by King *Henry II*, with the Assistance of the Archbishop of *Canterbury*, and a certain Cardinal, who gave one thousand Marks, the City of *London*, &c. It was begun to be built of Stone, in 1176; and with thirty three Years Labour and Expence, finished

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wash'd and beautify'd, at the Charge of the Parish. And now it's a beautiful and spacious Church, built after the Manner of a Cathedral; and the longest parochial Church in *England*, about two hundred sixty nine Foot, and the cross Isle one hundred and nine; and the Tower (wherein are a Peal of eight large Bells) one hundred and fifty Foot high; the whole is beautified with divers Monuments and Tombs; as of Queen *Elizabeth*, Mr. *John Gower* the Poet, *Lancelot Andrews*, and several other famous Persons; and other excellent Ornaments. Wherein are

Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and all Holy Days, and publick Days, at eleven a Clock.

Lectures extraordinary are, upon all publick State Days; and in the Time of Lent, by the orders of the Bishop of *Winchester*.

Ministers. D. *Thomas Horn*, Rector; and Dr. *Henry Sacheverel*, Lecturer.

St. Sepulchres or **Holy Sepulchres**, on the north Side of *Snow-hill* without *New-gate*. It's dedicated and called so, in Commemoration of the *Holy Sepulchre*, or Grave of our Blessed Saviour at *Jerusalem*; or from some Saints and Martyrs who have been buried there. It was called anciently *St.*

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Sepulchers in the *Baily*, or by *Chamberlain-gate*, i. e. *New-gate*; and still rings the funeral *Peal* or great passing Bell, for the condemned Criminals, as they pass therefrom to *Tyburn*; for which Mr. *Robert Dow* gave fifty Pounds. It was new rebuilt in 1440; and from 1624, to 1634, one thousand one hundred and ten Pounds was laid out in repairing the Roof, new building the Battlements, the four Pinacles of the Tower, &c. It was much damnified in 1666, but repaired and finished in 1670; and at last it was repaired, beautified, and opened *October 1*, 1713. And now it's a stately spacious Church, mostly of Stone, cover'd with Lead, supported with nineteen Pillars of Stone, paved with Tile, and many fine large Grave-stones; adorned with a stately Tower and four Spires, one hundred and forty Foot high, (wherein are ten melodious Bells) a large Ambulatory on the west End, fine Organ, over which is a Clock-dial, set up in 1713; two side Galleries, a fine Altar-piece, many Marble Monuments of famous Persons, with suitable Inscriptions. Towards repairing the last Year, Mr. *Waple* late Rector, left two hundred Pounds, beside the Contributions of the Parishioners; no other was annexed to it; the

the old Parish comprehending one thousand seven hundred and sixty Dwelling-Houses ; which make a large Congregation every Sunday.

Here are Morning Prayers daily at six in the Summer, and seven in the Winter ; and on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven ; and Evening Prayers constantly at three in the Summer, and four in the Winter.

The Holy Sacrament is administred (besides every first Sunday of the Month) on every Sunday from *Easter to Trinity Sunday*, after Forenoon Sermon ; and other solemn Days.

The Gift Sermons preached here are these, with their respective Donors.

Two annual Sermons, the first upon *January 30*, and the second on *May 29*, at ten ; maintained by the Gift of Dr. *William Bell*, late Rector ; who died *July 19, 1683*.

One on *July 25*, at ten a Clock ; maintained by the Gift of Mr. *Glasbrook*.

One on *October 2*, at ten ; in Commemoration of Mrs. *Sarah Doors*.

One on *November 5*, at ten ; on the Gunpowder Treason, by the Gift of Mrs. *Parthenia Lowman*.

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A preparation Sermon for the Sacrament on the last Friday of the Month, at ten; preached by *Mr. Anthony Smith*; and maintained by a religious Society.

A Charity Sermon, for, and before a religious Society of the Parish, every second Sunday of the Month, at five; for the Use of the Charity School.

An annual Sermon, for, and before the Promoters, Masters, Mistresses, and Children, of all Charity Schools, in and about *London*; on Thursday in *Whitsun-week*, at ten; which was preached and published this Year by the Right Reverend Father in God *John Lord Bishop of London*.

An annual Sermon, for, and before the Company of Cordwainers, in *June*, or *July*, at ten, at their Pleasure; maintained by the Gift of *Mr. James Shaw*, who gave also fifty Pounds to the Poor. And some other Occasional Sermons.

Ministers. *Dr. Charles Blake*, Rector; and *Mr. Anthony Smith*, Lecturer.

The Chapel in *Serjeants-Inne*; whereof there are two, and both of

a very ancient Standing ; whereof we have Mention about the Year 1100 ; and so called because they belong to the *Serjeants*, (*Servientes ad Legem*) or Judges who have Lodging, and Diet, and study the Common Law in these *Inns*, or *Colleges*. The first in order is, that on the east Side of *Chancery-lane*, near the *Chapel* of the *Rolls* ; wherein is this free and extraparochial *Chapel* for their Use ; the Building is all of new Brick, and kept very decent and neat within ; it's laid with Boards, well pewed, adorned with a Communion Table, painting on the Lights, &c.

Prayers and Sermon are every Sunday Forenoon (and Afternoon Prayers only) in the three Terms, of *Easter*, *Trinity*, and *Hilary*, excepting the first Sundays ; but in *Michaelmas Term* Prayers are every Sunday twice, and Sermon only in the Morning. And the Holy

Sacrament is administred four Times in the Year, viz. on the second Sunday of every Term.

Here are no settled Ministers ; because the Judges and Serjeants provide Preachers in their several Turns ; the present Reader is Mr. *Adam Brown*.

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Sacrament is administred four Times, viz. on the last Sunday of every Term. Ministers are none settled, the Reader is *Mr. Valentine Haywood*.

The Chapel in Skinners Alms-houses, upon *Mile-end-green*, near *White-chapel*; they were first given by *Mr. Lewis Newbury Skinner* of *London*; and built by *Mr. Thomas Glover* his Executor, in the Year *1688*; and still managed by that Company, for the Relief of twelve poor Women of their Company, who are allow'd two Shillings a Week, beside Coals and other Conveniences; and this private Chapel for their Use. Wherein are

Prayers every Day at eleven a Clock. And a weekly Lecture every Thursday at three, beside the Duty on Sunday; by *Mr. Thomas Shortland* Chaplain.

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The Chapel in Sommerſet-Houſe in the *Strand*, next the *Savoy*, and on the Bank of the River *Thames*. This Royal Palace is ſo called ; becauſe *Edward Duke of Sommerſet Lord Protector of England*, and Uncle to King *Edward VI*, built it for a Dwelling-Houſe in 1549 ; out of the Ruines of *St. Mary's Church* in the *Strand*, the Inns of the *Biſhops of Chicheſter*, and *Worceſter* there, and *St. John of Jeruſalem* at *weſt Smithfield*. Afterwards it fell to the Crown, and has ſince been one of the Royal Palaces ; herein Queen *Elizabeth* kept her Court ; afterwards Queen *Catharine Dowager*. Here that noble Knight *Sir Edmondbury Godfrey* was cruelly murdered, *October 12, 1678* ; herein lived the *Lord Clarendon* ; and his Grace the *Duke d'Aumont* Ambaſſador from his moſt Chriſtian Maſteſty, had his Reſidence here for ſeveral Months ; and this free extraparochial Chapel has been of the ſame Foundation, and for the Uſe of thoſe of the Royal Family, and others who dwelt there ; it's annexed to the weſt Side of the Palace in *Stable-yard*, built of Brick, covered with Lead, it's very beautiful and ſpacious, curiouſly painted, and paved with Free Stone ; there are three fine Galleries, and a ſtately Altar-piece, *Mofes*, and

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St. Stephen's Chapel, within the ancient Royal Palace of *Westminster*. This Ancient and Royal Chapel was built by King *Stephen*, about the Year 1141 ; afterward it was new built and repaired by King *Edward III*, in 1347, who also endow'd it with three hundred Pounds ; and constituted a Dean twelve Secular Canons, thirteen Vicars &c. to the Number of thirty eight religious Persons. And so it continued a free Chapel, for the Use of the Royal Family and Court at *Westminster* ; 'til that Palace was burnt, in the fourth of King *Henry VIII*, in 1512, and this Chapel suppress'd and surrendred to him ; and since it has been appropriated and appointed for the meeting Place of the Honourable House of Commons, during the Sessions of Parliament, otherwise it's of no other Use, as to divine Service. The King's Royal Court being for a long Time removed from thence to *White-hall*, *St. James's*, &c. This and the *Monastery* of *St. Stephen* adjoining, were denominated from the royal Founder King *Stephen*, and dedi-

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St. Stephen Coleman-street. It's so called, because it's on the west Side of that Street, near *Guild-Hall*. It's of an ancient standing; and was first a *Jewish Synagogue*; then a Chapel of Ease to *St. Olave Jewry*, where a Chauntry was founded, about 1307; and made a Parish-Church in 1467, and seventh of *King Edward IV.* It was repaired in 1622; burnt in 1666; rebuilt by Act of Parliament in 1674; and finished in 1676; and the Gallery in 1679. But no other were annexed to it, the Parish being sufficiently large; containing above five hundred fine Houses. It's all of Stone, covered with Lead, enriched with several Donations, and beautified with several fine Monuments, and other Ornaments.

Prayers are on all Week Days, at eleven a Clock.

Sacrament is duly administred every Sunday, at twelve a Clock.

Lectures are, a Quarterly Sermon on every Tuesday, at five; from *September*

ber 29, to June 24; maintained by Mr. *Thomas Moffet*, who gave two Pounds per Annum, for ever, in 1685; and a religious Society of the Parish.

An annual Sermon on *November 11*, at eleven; which is maintained by the Gift of the Lady *Margaret Wroth*, for which, in 1635, she left three Pounds per Annum, for ever.

An annual Sermon on *April 30*, at eleven; by the Gift of the Lady *Bewdley*.

And on some other solemn Occasions.

Ministers. Dr. *Richard Lucas*, Vicar; and Mr. *David Ogilby*, Lecturer.

St. Stephen in *Walbrook*, at *Stocks-market*, and near the *Royal-Exchange*. It's an ancient and spacious Church, first enlarged and repaired by Sir *William Standon* Lord Mayor, in 1392; and Sir *Robert Chichely*, formerly Lord Mayor, in the ninth of King *Henry V*, 1421; and finished in 1439; it was repaired again, in the Year 1632; burnt in 1666; rebuilt afterwards in a most stately manner, and finished in 1676; and since that it was repaired again the last Summer, in 1713; and is now a very spacious, plain and beautiful Church. It's dedicated to *St. Stephen the Proto-Martyr*, *Acts 7*, as all others of that Name, and for Distinction from them called

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Morning Prayers are every Day at eleven a Clock ; and Evening Prayers at four a Clock, on Saturday, through the Time of *Lent*, but no more.

Here are some publick Sermons on State Days, and some Quarterly and Occasional Charity Sermons, but no more.

Ministers. Mr. *William Stonestreet*, Rector ; Mr. *Joseph Richardson*, Lecturer.

Stratford le Bow. It's a *Parochial Chapel of Ease* to the Parish of *Stepney*.

Stepney. It was first built by the Inhabitants of *Stratford*, or *Oldford*, in 1311; when by Licence granted them from *Ralph Baldock* Bishop of *London*, on the fifteenth of the Kalends of *December* that Year, they were encouraged thereto, and soon perfected it; but afterwards annexed to the Parish-Church of *Stepney*, in the Year 1497; upon certain Conditions then agreed upon between them (in Acknowledgment whereof they pay yearly twenty four Shillings thereto) And called *Stratford Bow*, or by *Bow*, because of the most ancient Stone Bridge (the first of Stone in *England*) built of *Arches* or *Bows* of Stone, by *Queen Maud* or *Matilda*, Wife to *King Henry I*, about the Year 1100; because she was somewhat in danger as she passed over the River *Lea* or *Lune*; from whence this Chapel and Village is still denominated; being frequently repaired it's still in good Order, and consists of a large Congregation. It's built of old Stone and Brick, covered with Tiles, situate in a Church-yard facing the main Street; and within it's pav'd with Brick, supported with Stone Pillars, and has a fine Communion Table, a Gallery, and several old Monuments. The Steeple is also of old Stone, very ancient, about sixty Foot high, wherein are six Bells.

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Here are four annual Gift Sermons, viz. on *January 30, Good Friday, Ascension-day, and St. Bartholomew's-day* ; maintain'd by the Legacy of *Mrs. Prisca Cornburn* ; and on all State Days, and some other Occasions.

Minister. *Dr. Henry Lambe.*

St. Swithine, on the west Corner of *Swithine-lane*, and north Side of *Cannon-street* at *London Stone*. It was new built and augmented, in the Year 1420, at the Charge of *Sir John Hind* Lord Mayor, in 1391, and 1404 ; repaired by the Parish in 1608 ; and burnt in 1666 ; but it was erected again in good Fashion, all of Stone, covered with Lead, and finished in 1679 ; there is a fine large Clock-Dial facing *Cannon-street*, a Tower one hundred and fifty Foot high, several new Marble Monuments, and other Ornaments. It's the only Church that is dedicated to the Memory of *St. Swithine* or *Swithune*, Bishop of *Winchester*, and President of the Council to King *Egbert* ; he flourished in the eighth Century, and died about 806. The antient Parish-Church of *St. Mary Bothaw* or *Boathaw*, (because

of a *Dock* or *Boat Yard*, where *Boats* were made, mended, or landed, at *Dowgate*; (herein was buried Sir *Henry Fitz Alwin*, first Lord Mayor of *London*, chosen twenty five Times successively, from 1188, to 1213,) but being burnt in 1666, it was encompassed with a brick Wall, for a burial Place in 1674, and the old Parish annexed to this; which comprehend in all about one hundred and forty Dwelling-Houses. Wherein are

Prayers every Morning in Week Days, at eleven; and in the Evening at five; for which well disposed Persons of the Parish contribute.

Here is a weekly Lecture every Tuesday, at five in the Evening; from September 29, to June 24, by the Gift of the Lady *Hart*, Wife to Sir *John Hart* Lord Mayor, in 1589.

An annual Sermon on February 12, at ten; in Commemoration of Mr. *Randol Maning*.

Another on February 24; in Commemoration of Mr. *Thomas Southwick*.

Ministers. Mr. *William Elstob*, Rector; and Mr. *Robert Lasinby*, Lecturer.

The Tabernacle in *Petty-Coat-lane*, near the Middle, and on the west Side thereof. It's a Chapel of Ease to

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Prayers and Sermon twice every Sunday, at the usual Hours.

And a preparation Sermon for the approaching Sacrament, every last Friday of the Month, at five; which is preached by Mr. *Deuel Pead*; and maintain'd by the Subscriptions, and Donations of well disposed Persons there.

Ministers. Dr. *Samuel Hilliard*, Forenoon Preacher; and Mr. *Deuel Pead*, Lecturer.

The Tabernacle in White-Lion-yard, and facing *Wheeler street* in *Spittle-fields*. It's commonly called *Wheeler's Chapel*, because it was built by Sir *George Wheeler* *Prebendary of Durham*; and is a private Chapel for the Use and Ease of the Inhabitants thereabout, and too remote from the Mother Church of *Stepney*. It's built of Brick, covered with Tile; it has one Bell to Ring for Prayers, and is a very neat and decent Chapel within.

Wherein are Morning Prayers only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven; and Evening at seven in the Winter, and eight in the Summer.

And a weekly Lecture every last Wednesday of the Month, at seven in the Evening; as a Preparatory for the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; which is maintain'd by a Society there, who have also a Charity Sermon every third Sunday, when there are five in the Month, at five in the Evening; for the Use of the poor Children.

Minister. Mr. Samuel Broomsgrove.

The Temple Church, between the *Inner* and *Middle Temples* in *Fleet-street*, within *Temple-bar*; and for the Use of both. These *Temples* were so called from the *Knights Templers*, or *Knight's* of the *Temple*, i. e. of *Jerusalem*. The first Original of this Order, was about 1099, or 1118; under *Godfrey of Bulloin*, first Christian King of *Jerusalem*; after he had taken that City from the *Turks*, in the *Holy War*; their Profession or Business was to serve Christ 'as *Canons Regular*, to defend the Christian Religion, and the Holy Land; and to be a Relief and Safeguard to poor Christian Pilgrims, who went out of Devotion to visit the Holy Sepulchre of our Lord

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at *Jerusalem*; therefore they were called also *Hospitalarii* or *Hospitalers*. At first Institution there were only nine of the Order, 'till the Year 1112; when they multiplied so exceedingly, that many Noblemen became Brethren thereof, they had nine thousand Convents, beside much Wealth, and built Dwelling-Houses in all the great Towns in *Europe*, whereof this was the Chief in *England*. About 1133, they left their former House in *Holbourn*, and built a new Temple here, between *Essex-House* and *White-fryars*, *Fleet-street*, and the *River*, after the Fashion of the Temple of *Jerusalem*; and about the Year 1185, they erected this Church for their own Use; where *Dunwallo Mulmutius* a *British* King had founded a Place of *Sanctuary*, about the Year of the World 4748, and was buried therein, with some of his Successors; and *Heraclius*, Patriarch of the *Holy Resurrection Church* at *Jerusalem*, did consecrate it that Year, and dedicated it to the Blessed Lady. It was new rebuilt and dedicated in 1240, and so it has continued. But at last these *Templers* were convict of Heresy and other Crimes, condemned by the Council of *Vienna*; and *Pope Clement 5*, in 1313; *Philip the Fair*, King of *France*,

seiz'd on their Lands, and burnt fixty of them at *Paris*. In *England* they were enjoin'd Penance for ever, and their Lands confiscate. And in 1324 they were given to the Knights Hospitalers of the Order of *St. John the Baptist*, or *St. John of Jerusalem*, who serv'd for the same Purpose: But King *Edward II*, in 1313. gave this suppress'd Dwelling to *Aimer de la Valence* Earl of *Pembroke*, who dwelt there during his Life; then it fell to King *Edward III*, who sold it to some Students of the Common Law, who came out of *Thavy's-Inne* in *Holborn*, and dwelt therein; and ever since it has continued a select College or *Inne* for them. *Wat Tyler* and the Rebels burnt it, and all the Lawyers Books, Writings, and Records, in 1383; and much of it being burnt in 1678: All these Dwelling-Houses are rebuilt in stately Fashion; beautified with Gardens, Water-Works, Ambulatories, and other Decorements; which render it a most pleasant and delectable Habitation. The Church was repaired and beautified in 1682, 1695, 1707. And is now a stately ornamental Edifice, adorned with divers fine Monuments, Inscriptions, and Coats of Arms, of several famous Persons; with Pillars, Figures,

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Here are Morning Prayers daily at eight, in Vacation Time; at seven in Term Time; and at nine every Holy Day; and Evening at four constantly, except Holy Days, when they are only at three.

Sacraments are celebrated on the first Sunday of the Month; and in long Terms once or twice, at the Ministers Pleasure; on the grand Days in every Term, on *Candlemas-day*, *Ascension day*, and *St. John the Baptist's Day*, if it fall in Term Time; on these Days are Prayers, Sacrament, and Sermon.

Ministers. *Dr. Thomas Sherlock*, Master of the *Temple*; but there is no settled Lecturer; one being chosen by the Treasurer of each House in their Turns; for which he is paid forty Shillings *per Sermon* immediately: *Mr. Henry Jackson*, Reader.

St. Thomas the Apostle, *vide St. Mary Aldermary*.

St. Thomas's Church, belonging to, and within *St. Thomas's Hospital* in the Borough of *Southwark*. This is the only parochial Church, that is dedicated to the Memory of the Holy Apostle *St. Thomas*: It was first founded an Hospital for poor Children, &c. by *Richard*

chard Prior of Bermondsey, in 1213 ; and two Years after made a House of *Canons Regular*, by *Peter de Rubibus*, Bishop of *Winchester* ; and surrendred in the thirtieth of King Henry VIII, in 1538 ; of whom the City of *London* purchased it for an Hospital, which King *Edward VI*, founded and endowed, in 1552. As also the two famous Hospitals of *Bridewell*, and *Christ's Hospital*, upon the Occasion of Dr. *Ridley* Bishop of *London*, his preaching before him at *Westminster*, and therein exhorting to Works of Charity, which he confirm'd by his Royal Patent and latter Will, July 6, the sixteenth of his Age, and seventh and last of his Reign, two Days before his Death ; and therefore it was called the *King's Hospital* in *Southmark* ; he being the Founder and Patron thereof. Though this Church, and all the Lands, Rents, and Houses of the Parish, belong to the said Hospital ; yet it's the Parish-Church for both. It was rebuilt and repaired in 1633 ; and being much rent and decay'd it fell down ; and was again re-edified and finished in 1702 ; for which three thousand Pounds were granted out of the publick Tax upon Coals, and the rest by the Governors of the Hospital ; the whole

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Prayers are only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven. And the

Sacrament is administred every second Sunday of the Month, at twelve a Clock.

Here is a Sermon extraordinary every first Sunday of the Month, at five in the Evening; which is maintained by a religious Society.

Beside publick Sermon on all solemn Days, appointed by the Government; and some other Occasions.

Ministers. Mr. *Mathew Mead*, Vicar; and Mr. *Stephen Philips*, Lecturer.

The Chapel of St. Thomas's Hospital. Beside the *parochial Church* above described; this *private Chapel* is also appointed particularly, for the Use and Edification of the Infirm. This has been an Hospital of a long standing, and

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Frederick in 1708, and divers others;
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 received by four dreadful Fires in *South-*
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 and 1689; whereby most of the Re-
 venues were consumed; divers chari-
 table Persons have contributed very
 largely thereto, whereby it's finished
 and is now a pleasant Edifice, and large
 Hospital, for Infirm, Sick, and Wound-
 ed, of all Sorts, whereof many hund-
 reds are annually cured; for whom this
 Chapel is furnished with, Pulpit, Seats,
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Evening Prayers only, are constantly
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 ing at nine are Prayers, and Exposition
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Robert &c. and built by the Corporation of
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n this Mr. James Prince, Chaplain.

Seats. Trinity Chapel, at the upper End
of Bond-street near the Fields, not far
antly from the Royal Palace of St. James's,
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Gentry thereabout : It's a very beautiful and stately Chapel ; covered with Slate, beautified with large Galleries, stately Pews, a fine Communion Table, and other Ornaments. Wherein are

Morning Prayers daily at eleven ; and Evening Prayers at three a Clock.

The Sacrament is administred every third Sunday of the Month, at twelve.

Beside Sermon twice on Sundays, there is a weekly Lecture every Wednesday, at ten ; maintain'd by private Hands.

Ministers. Mr. *Thomas Sandys*, in the Forenoon ; and Mr. *Joseph Smith*, in the Afternoon.

The Parish-Church of *Holy Trinity*, vide *St. Michael Queen Hithe*.

Trinity in the little Minories, or *London Minories*, without *Aldgate*, and near the *Tower of London* ; it's so denominated from the *Holy Trinity*, to whose Service it was dedicated, and a House of *Nuns* of the Order of *St. Clare*, who were called *Minorettes*. This Monastery was founded in 1293, by *Edmund Earl of Lancaster, Leicester, and Derby*, Brother to King *Edward I* ; who gave his Royal Patent for building thereof, at *Westminster*, June 18, in the twenty first of his Reign ; and after

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two hundred and forty six Years standing, it was surrendred in the thirtieth of King Henry VIII, in 1539; then Store Houses for Armour, and Merchants Goods, were erected, and this Church for the Use of the Inhabitants; it was repaired in 1618, and 1636; taken down and rebuilt from the Ground in 1706, all of Brick; to which *Daniel King Esq;* gave two hundred Pounds; *Lady Prichard*, Widow of Sir *William Prichard* Lord Mayor, in 1683, gave one hundred Pounds; and the Parishioners collected four hundred Pounds more. And now it's a fine neat Church, but not very large; for the Parish contains but one hundred and twenty Dwelling Houses.

Prayers are only on Holy Days, and publick Days, and on Wednesdays, and Fridays, through *Lent*, at eleven a Clock.

Lectures are on *January 30, March 8, May 29, September 2, November 5*, and other publick Solemnities; on *Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, &c.*

Sacraments are given on the two last mentioned Days, beside the first Sunday of the Month, at twelve.

Ministers. *Dr. John King*, Rector; *Dr. White Kennet*, *Dr. Samuel Barton*, *Mr. Peter Newcomb*, and *Mr. John Tur-*
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son, joynt monthly Lecturers in their Turns.

St. Vedast *alias Foster*, on the east Side of *Foster-lane*, at the upper End of *Cheapside*, over against *St. Paul's Church-yard*. It's a very ancient Church, *William Trist* was buried in it in 1425, and being very old, it was rebuilt in 1600; beautified in 1614; consumed in 1666; rebuilt by Act of Parliament, all of Stone, and covered with Lead, in 1697; and finished in 1698: And now it's a very beautiful Church, adorned with a fine Altar-piece, Communion Table, Gallery, Painting, and several new Monuments; and a stately new Tower ninety Foot high, wherein is a Peal of six fine Bells. It's the last of these that are dedicated to two conjunct Saints; at the first it was called *St. Foster's*, in Memory of some Founder, or ancient Benefactor; but afterwards it was dedicated to *St. Vedast*, Bishop of *Arras* forty Years, he died in 570. And the old Parish-Church of *St. Michael Quern*, which had been new rebuilt in 1450, and burnt in 1666, was not then rebuilt, but the Parish annexed to this, which in all make up about two hundred fine Dwelling-Houses. It's called also *St. Michael ad Bladum* in old

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old Writs, and corruptly *Quern* for *Corn*, because of a *Corn Market* there ; it stood before the Fire upon the same Plat of Ground, where is now an *Obelisk*, commonly called *Cheapside Conduit*.

Here are Morning Prayers on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days, at eleven ; and Evening at six, constantly.

Ministers. Mr. *Benjamin Ibbot*, Rector ; and Mr. *William Steuart*, Lecturer.

The Chapel in Vintners Alms-houses, on the west Side of *Mile-End-Green*, near *White-Chapel*. These twelve were founded for the Relief of twelve poor Widows of the *Vintner's Company*, who allow them two Shillings per Week, one Chaldron of Coals annually, and other Conveniences ; and this Chapel for their Use and Edification. Wherein

Prayers are every Sunday Morning at eight, and on Wednesdays, Fridays, Holy Days, and publick Days, at eleven a Clock, and the Sick visited ; by Mr. *James Prince*, Chaplain.

Wheeler's Chapel, *vide Tabernacle* in *Spittle-fields*.

White-Hall Chapel ; it's the *Royal Chapel* in the famous *Royal Palace* of *White-Hall*. This Place was first given by *Hubert Earl of Kent*, to the *Black Fryars*, who then dwelt in *Holborn*, about the

the Year 1240 ; afterwards *Walter Gray* Archbishop of *York*, purchased it of them, whereof he made a Palace for himself and Successors in that See ; therefore it was called *York Place* ; and so it continued 'till about 1529 ; when King *Henry VIII*, took it from *Cardinal Woolsey*, then Archbishop of *York*, at his Disgrace ; and made it a Royal Palace for himself, because the ancient Royal Palace of *Westminster* (which had been the common Court and Residence of the Kings of *England*, from King *Edward the Confessor*, 'till it was finally consumed by Fire, in the fourth of King *Henry VIII*, 1512 ; except the *great Hall*, and some others yet standing,) was then deserted ; from that Time *White-Hall* was the principal Residence of the Kings, 'till it was unfortunately laid in Ashes by that dismal Fire in *January 4, 1697* ; at which Time the Royal Chapel was also consumed ; wherefore his late Majesty erected a new one, in that most spacious and beautiful Room, called the *Banqueting-House*, built by King *James I* ; and so it continues the Royal Chapel for the Use of the Nobility, Gentry, and other Inhabitants thereabout. I need say no more of the Ornaments, but that it's the noblest in *Europe* ; but never adorned

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adorned with Her Majesty's Presence, though it be under her immediate Jurisdiction ; the Royal Presence being remov'd to the Palace of St. James's, &c. since the late Fire.

Here are Morning Prayers every Sunday, at seven ; and all Sundays, and Week Days, at eleven ; and Evening Prayers every Day, at five a Clock.

The most general and publick Sacrament is administred every first Sunday of the Month, at twelve ; and privately every Sunday Morning, at eight a Clock.

Lectures are, a publick Sermon every Sunday, and Holy Day, at eleven ; by the ordinary Chaplains.

But on *Ashwednesday*, and every Wednesday, and Friday, through *Lent*, at eleven ; by Preachers extraordinary, appointed by the *Lord Chamberlain* ; a List whereof is printed annually, by his Orders.

Ministers. The Reverend Father in God, the Bishop of *London* is Dean ; and six preaching Chaplains are, Dr. *Lewis Atterbury*, Dr. *John Marshal*, Dr. *John Ovington*, Mr. *William Groves*, Mr. *Thomas Marshal*, and Mr. *John Ramsay* ; the two Readers are, Mr. *Francis Keys*, and Mr. *Thomas Case* ; and Closet keeper, Mr. *John Richardson*, &c.

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The Chapel in Mr. George Witcher's
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The Chapel in great Wood-street
Compter, near Cheapside. It belongs
to the City of London, for Debtors,
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the Inspection of the Sheriff, at present
Sir Joshua Sharp ; whose Court is held
weekly at Guild-Hall, on Thursday, and
Saturday ; and so called because the
Criminals were to Count or give Satis-
faction for their Fault, before they were
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son on Michaelmas-Eve, in the second
Year of Queen Mary, in 1555. It was
burnt in 1666 ; but rebuilt soon after
in better Fashion ; and this private
Chapel for the Use of the Incarcerate,
is fitted with a Pulpit, Seats, Books,
and other Conveniences ; and divided
into four Partitions, viz. the *Knights*
Side, the *Masters Side*, the *Womens Side*,
and the *Ward* for others.

Prayers are on Wednesdays, Fridays,
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AND thus I have finished *this Ecclesiastical Survey of the Churches in this Imperial City*; my main Design was to shew the *beautiful and excellent Order of our Churches*, according to the *Primitive Institution*; hitherto I have been in the Theory, now I return to the practical Part. And now I shall take this Opportunity to allure and persuade all good Christians, and more especially those *lazy, luke-warm, and indifferent Professors, or nominal Christians*, to frequent the *House of Prayer*, and to love and affect that Exercise, which is the most necessary Part of all publick Duties; for considering our constant Dependance on God, the manifold Mercies we continually receive from our gracious Benefactor; and also the numberless Dangers, Wants, Temptations, and Sins, which we are exposed to; what Duty is more reasonable,

sonable, necessary, and advantageous? And what is more efficacious and prevalent with God, than the publick and united fervent Voice of Believers? God and Holy Angels are specially present, beholding the Carriage, and ready to hear the Desires of his humble and hearty Supplicants; and for their Encouragement has made a gracious Promise, *that wherever two or three are gathered together in his Name, he will be in the Midst of them, and grant their Requests.* Prayer is the Key of Heaven, all Blessings both spiritual and temporal have been procured and obtained thereby; Prayer ascends, and God's Blessing descends, though it be poured out on Earth, it operates in Heaven; it's our Messenger to the King of Kings, thither we cannot come in Person, but we may in our Affection; we may send the Messenger of Prayer, which never returns Empty, or with a direct and positive *Nolimus*; unless we entertain the *stumbling Block of our Iniquities*, i. e. *(some Idol Sin unrepented of)* for our God is more ready to hear than we are to pray; and if he does not answer us at our Time and Pleasure, yet he still does it to our Profit. What Miracles have been done by the Intercession and Prayers

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ers of those great Favorites of Heaven, Abraham, Moses, Job, Elias, David, Jeremy, Daniel, the Holy Apostles and Others ! It dried up the Red Sea, and Jordan ; brought Water to the thirsty Israelites from the flinty Rock, in a dry Wilderness ; alter'd the Course of Nature, it brought back the Sun, stayed the Moon in it's Course, abated the natural Heat of the Fire, stopt the Mouths of Lions, brought Hail-stones out of Heaven upon the Adversaries of God's People, Hezekiah from Death, Peter out of Prison, and brought dead Men to Life again : It heals Diseases without Physick, saves Sinners from Hell, stops the Wrath of God against them, and moves him to Pity and Mercy ; it Works all Kind of Miracles ; and what can it not do ? It's a Wonder to hear the unchangeable God brought from fifty to ten ; and the Sovereign of Heaven and Earth say, *Let me alone* Moses, or, *as a Prince hast thou Power with God, and hast prevailed*, at the Request of Dust and Ashes.

The Jewish Rabbies have a very proper Proverb to this Purpose ; *If it were not for Standing, (that is for Praying) the World could not stand.* Holy David was a Pillar and Support of the Land
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in his Time; and if many such had been in the old World, and Sodom, neither that had been drowned, nor this consumed with Fire and Brimstone.

Justus Jonas says of *Luther*, that he could have of God what he would; and so may every good Man, who prays aright; for God and Christ have bound themselves by their Promises, to hear when we Pray; and we cannot doubt of the Goodness, Powers, and Willingness, of either, to perform what they have promised; for this End, Read these, instead of many more. *Call upon me in the Day of Trouble, and I will deliver thee. God never said to any of thee Seed of Jacob, seek ye my Face in vain; he took notice of the Counterfeit Humiliation of Ahab, and spared Ninive for their Fasting in Sackcloth, and what will he do to them that seek his Face above all Things? for he hath said, Ask and it shall be given you, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you; for every one that asketh, receiveth; he that seeketh, findeth; and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened.* Here is a large Encouragement; he hath also promised, *whatever ye ask the Father in my Name, I will do it.* And we can neither doubt of the Father's Hearing, nor of the Son's Intercession:

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tercession: *For if he spared not his own Son, but gave him freely and unsought, what will he not give, if we importune him by Prayer in his Son's Name?* It will be our own Fault if we want any good Thing; seeing we may have it for asking.

But we must not think that it's enough to come *once or twice, or at our Leisure Hours to the House of Prayer; or pour out a God have Mercy on me, in the Morning and Night.* God loves the importunate and fervent Prayer of the Righteous, and may delay to hear us at the first Call; that he may move us to *Faith, Fervency, constant Dependance, and Importunity* in our Duty. The Widow in the Parable, and the Canaanitish Woman in the Gospel, had not expressed the Greatness of their Faith and Importunity, if they had received their Answer at first. Holy *David* pray'd in the Morning, Evening, and at Noon; he prevented the dawning, and applied himself to his Devotion seven Times a Day. He sigh'd after God's House, and thought it was the most unsupportable Part of his Banishment, that he was removed from the *Courts of the Lord's House.* He envied the Privilege of the *Swallows and Sparrows*, who had the Liberty to build their Nests in the Temple, and near the Lord's Altar;

and the blessed Condition of them who might dwell in the House of Prayer, *because they will be still praising God.* He could willingly be a Porter there, and never be absent from these Holy Doors; *One Thing* (says he) *have I desired of God, which I will require, and that is, even that I may dwell in the House of God all the Days of my Life.* And in another Place, *My Soul longeth after thy Courts.* Daniel kneeled and made his Petition three Times a Day, though he was prohibited under the Pain of Death. And he that commanded us to pray daily, pray'd three Times in the space of half a Night, he rose up a great while before Day, went into a solitary Place, and there prayed, and continued whole Nights in Prayer. He did all this, not out of any Necessity of praying and petitioning, for he was Lord of all; but to commend to us the Excellency, Dignity, and Usefulness, of this Duty. *Luther* pray'd three whole Hours, and some eight, every Day. The Holy Martyr *John Bradford's* continual Study was upon his Knees, according to that pious Saying of *Martin Luther, bene Orâsse est bene Studuisse.* *Eleanor* a Grand-child of *William the Conqueror*, spent her Time so much upon her Knees, that they were brawned; the like Examples we have

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have from innumerable Holy Martyrs, and devout Christians, in the flourishing Times of Christianity.

It's the greatest Honour and Privilege we can have, that we who are miserable Dust and Ashes, are admitted to come Petitioners to the Court of the great King, and of all the Instances of Religion and Providence, God hath not given a greater Proof of his Desire and Willingness to have us happy, than by this, of allowing us to come freely to the Throne of his Grace with Boldness, as Children to a Father, to ask these Things which are *requisite and necessary, as well for the Body as the Soul*; having the greatest Encouragements and Promises that we can desire, of obtaining whatsoever we ask believing in his Son's Name.

Frequency in Prayer is a principal means to fix and transform the Mind into Holiness, and to procure the Mortification of Sin; because it excites, and exercises in us these Graces of the Holy Spirit, which oppose and weaken indwelling Sin; and the Soul is raised up into a more eager Pursuit of *Communion with God, of Love and Delight in Holiness, and Contempt of this World*, in Prayer, than in any other Duty. It also procures the Grace of God,

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which is both necessary to keep us from falling, and to recover us when we are fallen ; and to extinguish all the fiery Darts of Satan.

Having these Promises, Encouragements, and Advantages, by this Duty of Prayer, what a Pity is it, we should slight and despise, refuse and neglect, an Exercise which is so honourable, reasonable, easy, good, and profitable, for us ! How lamentable is the Backwardness, and lazy Disposition which possesses most Men ! Many have Excuses, and all are too negligent and unwilling. The extreme Necessity of the Poor, and the Multitude of Business or perverse Disposition of the Rich, are strong *Remoras* to this Exercise ; for every one has some Pretence and Excuse to palliate the Neglect thereof ; some weary of the Length, some murmur at the Frequency of the Hours, a third falls into a deep Sleep, like *Eutychus* ; and a fourth Part neglect them altogether, as if they *cared for none of those Things*. And so it comes to pass that a Coffee-House, Tavern, or Exchange, will be thronged ; while a few and small Number go up to the Temple at the Hour of Prayer ; and the Minister thinks it not worth his while to attend on so few. And thus the Life
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And now the Entrance is easy, the Door is open to all, and admittance is granted three or four Times a Day. The poor *Waldenses* and other Christians, persecuted under the Heathenish and Roman Persecutors, could macerate their Bodies with Prayer and Fasting, in Prisons, Rocks, Caves, and Wildernesses ; and shall we look upon it as a troublesome and wearisome Exercise to come to worship God, in a beautiful and decent Church, and grumble at the short Space of half an Hour at Divine Service ? Our Creator might have required more than one Day in seven, all our Fruits, instead of the first, and the whole Day, rather than Morning and Evening Sacrifice ; and yet we rob him of that little, and *reasonable Service*.

But let's see the Diligence and Manner of other *Nations*, and *Professions in their publick Prayers*. The *Heathens* could dedicate every Day of the Week, to the Service of their Idols ; yea they did not spare the first Fruits of their own Bodies to please the Devil. Hence came the *Roman*, and our *own Names* of the Days of the Week : In the Days of *Elijah*, *Baal's Prophets* could tear and

cut themselves with Knives, to provoke their Fervor, and call upon the dumb and dead Idol for an Answer, from Morning 'till Evening ; their *Bacchanalia, Bellonalia, Cerealia, Saturnalia*, and other sacred *Games, Sacrifices*, and *Festivals*, offered to *Bacchus, Bellona, Ceres, Saturn*, and a thousand more ; for every God had his own *Holy Days*, that were both chargeable, troublesome, numerous, cruel, and very mortifying ; and yet they never grumbled at any, but took Pleasure in them all.

The Jews had at *Jerusalem* besides the Temple, four hundred and eighty *Synagogues*, which were like our *Chapels of Ease*, because they could not all resort to *that*, being too far distant, and not capacious enough for them all. And how many more were in all the Land of *Judah*, is impossible to tell ; for they say, *that wherever ten Men of Israel were, there ought to be a Synagogue built*. So forward were they for encouraging the publick Service of God ; they had three great *Hours* of the Temple, (as they call them) that is, *Hours of Prayer* ; the third, the sixth, and the ninth. The third answering to our six a Clock in the Morning ; they must pray while the Sun is rising, and no later, for

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then is the Time of hearing as they imagine; and they anathematize any Person who goes to his Business without Prayer. Their sixth to our ninth, and their ninth Hour to our twelve, every great Hour consisted of three of ours; and we know there was a morning and evening Sacrifice constantly, under the Law of *Moses*. To stir up Devotion, and mind them of their Duty in the *Synagogue*, several Mementos, or godly Sentences, were written upon the Walls, such as these; *Enter into the House of the Lord thy God in Humility. Silence in Time of Prayer is commendable. Prayer without Attention is like a Body without a Soul, &c.* For the same End several proper Sentences of Holy Scripture are ingraven upon the Walls of our Churches.

The *Mahometans* observe five *Special Hours of Prayer*: To perform this laborious Service they can go without Grudge to the publick *Mosques* five Times a Day, wherein they say eighteen distinct Prayers; in the Morning two Prayers, Afternoon four, before Sun-set four, after Sun-set four, before they sit down to Supper two, and after Supper two again. And a certain Author reports thus of them: *Their Devotion, Silence, and Order, is such, that*

I cannot but admire, comparing it with the contrary, in the Churches of Christians.

It's well known what Pains the Church of Rome is at in their *Canonical Hours*, which had their Original from the Jews *great Hours*, and eight in Number; the first begins at six a Clock at Night, and continues 'till nine; called *Vesperine*: The second from nine to twelve; called the *Completory*: The third from Midnight to three a Clock; called the *Nocturn*: The fourth from three to six a Clock in the Morning; called the *Matins*: The fifth from six to nine; called the first Hour of the Day: The sixth from nine to twelve; called the third Hour: The seventh from twelve to three; called the sixth Hour: And the eighth Canonical Hour, is from three to six a Clock in the Evening again; where the *Vespertinum* begins, is called the ninth Hour. It would be endless also to describe the numberless Fasts, Festivals, and Holy Days, for all Manner of Saints, yea some which never were born, and divers other Occasions; to every one of which is appointed a certain publick Office, and distinct Form of Divine Service. *Durandus* reckons up five thousand of them in the Year; but an innumerable Com-
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The ancient *Eremites* gave themselves continually to Fasting and Prayer; *John Sormany* the Egyptian stood Praying in a Rock three whole Years together; perpetual *Chantrys* and *Oratorys*, were kept up in their Churches for a long Time. The *Clancularii* were esteemed *Hereticks*, because they contemned and avoided all publick Meetings, thinking it enough to serve God in Private. And the *Semper Orantes* were put in the same Class with them, because they made Prayer their whole Exercise, and neglected all other Duties, esteeming this the principal.

And lastly, how commendable was the Practice of the *Apostles* and *Saints* of the *Primitive Church*! Though *St. Peter* and *St. John* had a double Portion of the Holy Ghost, and less Need of Prayer than we; they went up to the Temple at the Hours of Prayer, they were daily in the Temple praying and praising God. And wherever we find them, whether in the Temple or private Houses, they were still with one accord at Prayer. This was the happy Opportunity, where in the Holy Ghost descended upon them; Angels brought *St. Peter* out of Prison,

and other wonderful Tokens of God's Love and Favor were shown them. They gave themselves *continually to Prayer*, so that they had no Time to *oversee the Poor*. Innumerable other Instances might be given of their own and their Successors, in the following primitive Centuries of flourishing Christianity ; their exceeding Intention, Delight, and Exercise, in this Duty. And while that was so much practised, Religion flourished ; but when that decay'd, this also died : And again at the Reformation of Religion, this began to be in Fashion again, these mutually stand and fall ; what may we fear shall befall this carnal and degenerate Age ?

And now I have brought forth *a Cloud of Witnesses* ; and alledged the Practice and Example of *Heathens, Turks, Jews, and Others*, whom we esteem our Inferiours, and not worthy of our Society ; and yet it's well, if these do not rise up in Judgment against, and condemn many *reformed Christians*, so called. And as God has vouchsafed us better means of knowing, and larger Encouragements, Motives, and Helps, of performing our Duty to him, than he has bestowed on them ; this Neglect must necessarily bring us into greater Condemnation. And moreover, the Omission it self is much

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much more hainous in *us*, than in *them*; for the least that can be said of it, beside other Aggravations, is, that The neglect of our Duty renders us guilty of abominable Perjury, and Breach of the Covenant, which we made with God himself in *Baptism*, wherein we did solemnly *Promise and vow* to worship and serve him obediently and truly *all the Days of our Life*. Wherefore by falling from this Duty, we *Renounce our Baptism*; and God reckons such with Heathens, *Jer. 10, 25. Pour out thy Fury upon the Heathen that know thee not, and upon the Families that call not upon thy Name*; and all the Difference is, only the nominal Christian shall be beaten with more Stripes; and it shall be more tolerable for those of Sodom and Gomorrah, than for such.

It's not the *Multitude or Length of Prayers* that is altogether acceptable to God, nor what I plead for; for the Almighty said to the superstitious Jews, *Isaiah 1. 11, 12, 13, 14, 15. To what Purpose is the Multitude of your Sacrifices unto me? The new Moons, the Sabbaths, and calling of Assemblies, I cannot away with; it's Iniquity, they are a Trouble unto me, I am weary to bear them, &c.* Likewise the Pharisees made many and long Prayers, only out of Hypocrisy, a vain Shew, and for a Cloak.

Cloak to greater Wickedness, but all their Reward was to have greater Condemnation. And if they who take so much Pains in Religion be condemned for some partial Failing, much more shall they who totally neglect their Duty. Both these fatal Rocks must be shunn'd; the Idle and Lazy can expect nothing; and unless our Duties be rightly perform'd in Faith, to the promoting of Holiness in us, and the Glory of God; a Multiplication of them proves a Burden and Bondage, and that's all.

Now by this Time any *judicious Christian* may see the *Manner and Necessity* of the Duty of *publick Prayer*, and be perswaded (I hope) to comply with the Exhortation; but alas, *worldly Mindedness* is the grand Impediment; we have a *Yoke of Oxen to prove, a Farm to see, or a great deal of Business, we cannot come*; it's not worth our while to go to Prayers, and lose the Opportunity of doing our Business, or break our Appointment. Others weary of the Length, saying in Effect, *when will the new Moon be gone, that we may sell Corn? And the Sabbath, that we may set forth Wheat?* The Carnality of Men's Hearts must be removed, before there be a hearty Delight and Compliance with this or any other Duty. And there-

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fore I would have you consider the Insufficiency of this Excuse: Though God *commands and commends Diligence in Business*, and would have *all Men to work, and use lawful Means for their Maintenance*; yet, that's not the only End for which God made them. He commands us likewise *to be fervent in Spirit, serving the Lord*; that is subordinate to this; which is the principal and main End, and the only Thing we ought to be exercis'd in. And moreover, we are sure that too much of that opposes this; for the *Love of God and the World cannot dwell together in one Heart*; if any *Man love the World* (that is excessively and immoderately) *the Love of the Father is not in him*; what is honest and commendable in its self, is very unlawful and pernicious when it hinders the Service of God.

And in the last Place; such Men take the wrong Way to make their Business effectual and successful; for as *Man does not live by Bread alone*; so it's not our own *Labour and Industry, our Power and Wisdom*, that brings our Purposes to a good Account, but only the *Blessing of God upon our lawful Endeavours*; and if we depended more upon God for that, doubtless these would have more Success, and *all should be Blessed which we*

we put our Hand unto; without which the People do labour in vain, for certainly it's the Blessing of the Lord that maketh Rich; without which our best Endeavours are but lost Labour.

Although the *Jews* were appointed to keep Holy every *seventh Year*, wherein there was neither *Sowing* nor *Reaping*, they were nothing the poorer thereby; for God Blessed the Increase of the *sixth Year*; that they had Sufficiency of all Things 'till the ninth, *Leviticus 25*. And whereas they were to appear *thrice every Year before the Lord in the Temple*; no Enemies ever invaded their Land, robbed their Goods, or any way injured them in their Absence; the Lord was their Defence. It's worthy our Observation, they never wanted any Thing, nor were oppressed by their neighbouring Adversaries 'till they neglected their duty to God, then their Land became barren, and their Enemies oppressed them on every Side; otherwise while they served God according to his Appointment, they flourished in Wealth, Honour, and Peace, and were a Terror to their Enemies round about them. Although they had the Folly to tell the *Prophet Jeremiah*; that they had Plenty of Victuals, and were well, and saw no Evil while they

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wicked Men put together, he and they shall enjoy the Earth, long Life, and Happiness for ever. *Mark thou the perfect Man, and behold the upright Man, for the End of that Man is Peace.* But to this Purpose read the twenty eighth Chapter of *Deuteronomy* throughout, and several Expressions, Promises, and Instances, to that Purpose, in the Book of *Judges*, and other historical Parts of the Holy Scripture, where it's asserted, that *while they sought the Lord, God made them to prosper*; but upon their Idolatry, Profaneness, and Carnality, they were cursed and blasted in all they put their Hands to. It was upon this Account that God made all that *Jacob, Josias, Hezekias*, and others did, to prosper; and likewise, *all that the godly Man doth shall prosper*, *Psalms* 1. 3. and again *Psalms* 67. 4, 5, 6, 7. Let all the Nations praise thee, O God, Let the People praise thee, yea Let all the People praise thee, then shall the Earth yield her Increase, and God, even our God shall bless us; that is the Condition; and how can we expect this without that? There is a natural and necessary Connexion between them, which can never be dissolved, nor the Reward obtain'd, without performing the Condition required.

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It's no Wonder, that many are blasted and crossed in their Affairs, because they undertake them without any Importance for the Divine Blessing thereupon. *Plutarch* ascribed the Unsuccessfulness of the Roman Armies, to the Neglect of Sacrificing to their Gods ; which indeed they seldom or never forgot to do at their first Setting out against their Enemies, nor at their Return from the Victory ; wherein they condemn us.

In the foregoing *Historico-theological Account of the manner and Method of Divine Service among us*, it may be observed, that many are so far degenerate from the primitive Institution, and fallen back from that *necessary Duty of publick Morning and Evening Prayers*, at least in the Temple ; that the first is confined to twice a Week, and the latter totally neglected, because of the Paucity of Supplicants. And thus the Life and Practice of Christianity is in Danger to be lost ; we provoke God's Indignation and Curse upon us, and all that we put our Hands to ; and deprive our selves of the Comfort and Blessings which he has promised, and we might expect in doing of our Duty, earnestly and constantly according as he has commanded us.

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The last great Hindrance to this necessary and comfortable Duty of publick Prayer, which I shall take Notice of and refute, is the *Hope and Pretence of doing as well in private at Home in the Closet*; yea this Delusion stops not here, but also prevents many from going to the publick Ordinances on the Lord's Day, because they think they can reap as much Benefit by Reading a good Book at Home. This at best is a Mispending of precious Time, slighting the Offers of the great Salvation, and a grand Temptation to encourage us in Laziness and Idleness, and deprive us of more necessary Duties: For though private Duties are most comfortable, yet publick are more powerful; and bring more Glory to the Almighty in the publick Assemblies of his Saints, where we profess before the World to serve him. We read of three thousand, and five thousand, and great Multitudes converted at publick Sermons, and the Holy Ghost descending upon them at publick Prayer, but no such great Effects wrought in Private; few are converted in the Closet, but innumerable Companies at publick Ordinances. The united Faith and Fervency of many Believers as with one Heart and Voice, must certainly move Heaven more effectually for a
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our picking and chusing, which proceed either from Laziness or Superstition, both which lead us out of the Way of Righteousness; but blessed are they *that sow beside all Waters*; and there by take all proper Opportunities to serve God, and *grow in Grace* here, that they may be made more meet for enjoying him hereafter.

I shall finish this Exhortation with these most comfortable Words of the Prophet *Isaiah*, Chap. 40. verse 31. *But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their Strength; they shall mount up with Wings as Eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.*



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